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Thursday, September 27, 2018

Council met, a quorum being present.

Reverend Wilford H. Speakes of Celestial Word Ministry was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of September 20, 2018.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

Councilmember Greenlee requested leave of absence for

Councilmember Gym.

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- ☐ Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill No. 180600-A, which was passed on September 20, 2018, was signed by the Mayor on September 20, 2018. (File No. 180856)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ September 28, 2018

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

Pursuant to Sections 4-604 and 2-307 of the Home Rule Charter, I am today transmitting to the Council the recommendation of the City Planning Commission on the following bills & amendments:

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Bill No. 171054
Bill No. 180504 (Not Recommended for approval)
Bill No. 180515 (Not Recommended for approval)
Bill No. 180645

Respectfully submitted,
James F. Kenney
Mayor (File No. 180857)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the New Kensington-Fishtown Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 128 Melvale street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Mefail Kupa and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract. (File No. 180858)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan Nos. 282 and 291 by relocating the southwesterly houseline of Cottman Avenue, from State Road to a point northwestwardly therefrom, a variable distance southwestwardly and relocating the northwesterly houseline of State Road, from Cottman Avenue to a point southwestwardly therefrom, a variable distance northwestwardly, thereby widening said Cottman Avenue and said State Road, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 180859)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing the striking from City Plan No. 119 and abandonment a certain right-of-way reserved for drainage purposes, located along the westerly side of Tenth Street, north of Poplar Street, and extending westwardly therefrom, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 180860)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 195 by striking from the City Plan Amber Street from Lehigh Avenue to a point northeastwardly therefrom, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 180861)

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THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 196 by striking from the City Plan Trenton Avenue from Clearfield Street to Allegheny Avenue, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 180862)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill amending Section 17-1305 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Compensation Required to be Paid to Employees,” to revise the compensation required to be provided in connection with application of the Philadelphia 21st Century Minimum Wage Standard; and amending Section 19-2604 of the Code, entitled “Tax Rates, Credits, and Alternative Tax Computation,” to make the wage rates related to the tax credit for new job creation consistent with Section 17-1305; all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 180863)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180847:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Aging to hold public hearings to examine emergency protocols that ensure the safety of senior citizens residing in traditional community high-rises.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180848:** Resolution Urging the Federal government to strengthen standards used to analyze dust-lead hazards and lead exposure to children.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 180839:** An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Capitol street, east side, Brown street to Parrish street; North street, north side, 17th street to 18th street; 29th street, both sides, Master street to Thompson street; Tioga street, both sides, Germantown avenue to Old York road; 4th street, both sides, Fairmount avenue to Green street.

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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. 180840:** An Ordinance Authorizing the striking from City Plan No. 119 and abandonment of a certain right-of-way reserved for drainage purposes, located along the westerly side of Tenth Street, north of Poplar Street, and extending westwardly therefrom, under certain terms and conditions

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

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180849:** Resolution Recognizing October 2018 as Manufacturing Month, and Further Honoring Weber Display and Packaging for their more than 120 years of dedication to the Manufacturing Industry in the City of Philadelphia.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180850:** Resolution Recognizing and honoring Crystal Tann, Amen Brown, Carl Hairston, Gail Young, Lizette Gonzalez and Felicia Miller for springing to the aid of hundreds of senior citizens by providing food, water, and emergency assistance during the Pavilion Apartments power outage on September 14, 2018.

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER JONES - RESOLUTION NO. 180850 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180851-A:** Resolution Calling on Sheriff Jewell Williams and the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania to impose a moratorium on residential property foreclosure sales until City Council has the opportunity to hold public hearings regarding recently obtained data, which suggests troubling trends in already struggling areas of the City.

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER JONES - RESOLUTION NO. 180851-A - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180852:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Legislative Oversight to hold hearings examining the feasibility of expanding the services of the Community Life Improvement Program (CLIP) and establishing CLIP offices citywide.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180853:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Legislative Oversight to hold hearings regarding the operation of Philadelphia's 311 non-emergency hotline.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180854:** Resolution Congratulating Honorable Nelson Diaz on the release of his new book, entitled, *Not from Here, Not from There/No Soy de Aquí ni de Allá: The Autobiography of Nelson Díaz*, and recognizing Nelson for his continued contributions to the Philadelphia Community;

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER SANCHEZ - RESOLUTION NO. 180854 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 180855:** Resolution Honoring and congratulating the honorees of the 2018 Stellar StartUps Competition.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 180841:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan Nos. 282 and 291 by relocating the southwesterly houseline of Cottman Avenue, from State Road to a point northwestwardly therefrom, a variable distance southwestwardly and relocating the northwesterly houseline of State Road, from Cottman Avenue to a point southwestwardly therefrom, a variable distance northwestwardly, thereby widening said Cottman Avenue and

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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. 180842:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-904 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Accessory Sign Controls,” to provide for sign controls in the area bounded by Market Street, 11th Street, Chestnut Street, and 12th 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. 180843:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 195 by striking from the City Plan Amber Street from Lehigh Avenue to a point northeastwardly therefrom, 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. 180844:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Wharton Street, 11th Street, Reed Street, and 12th Street.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 180845:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 196 by striking from the City Plan Trenton Avenue from Clearfield Street to Allegheny Avenue, 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 Councilmembers Squilla, Quiñones Sánchez, Parker, Blackwell, Bass, Greenlee, Henon, Gym, Jones, Council President Clarke, Johnson, Green and Reynolds Brown:

- 📄 **Bill No. 180846:** An Ordinance Amending Section 17-1305 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Compensation Required to be Paid to Employees,” to revise the

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compensation required to be provided in connection with application of the Philadelphia 21st Century Minimum Wage Standard; and amending Section 19-2604 of the Code, entitled “Tax Rates, Credits, and Alternative Tax Computation,” to make the wage rates related to the tax credit for new job creation consistent with Section 17-1305; all under certain terms and conditions.

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA - BILL NO. 180846 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND CIVIL SERVICE.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES


COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

 **Bill No. 180739:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 21-1600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Housing Trust Fund,” to authorize the establishment of separate sub-funds to receive, respectively, revenues attributable to recording fees and revenues from sources other than recording fees; to provide for and authorize the manner in which such revenues may be appropriated and spent; and to designate the agency within City government responsible for administering the Housing Trust Fund; all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER QUIÑONES SÁNCHEZ MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 180739.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.


THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY’S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

 **Bill No. 180740:** An Ordinance Authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2019 from the Grants Revenue Fund, the Director of Finance - Provision for Other Grants to the General Fund, the Director of Finance and the Housing Trust Fund, the Department of Planning and Development.

COUNCILMEMBER QUIÑONES SÁNCHEZ MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 180740.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY’S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

 **Bill No. 180744:** An Ordinance Providing for recurring funding to support equitable neighborhood development by preserving middle neighborhoods, constructing affordable housing units available for sale or rent, providing assistance to Philadelphians who desire to become homeowners; and directing Council to appropriate revenues for said purposes to the Department of Planning

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and Development - Division of Housing and Community Development, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER QUIÑONES SÁNCHEZ MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 180744.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON THIS DAY'S FIRST READING CALENDAR.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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The following persons provided public comment on September 27, 2018:

Name and Comment Subject

Joe Danihel (180347-A, 180351-A)

Maisha Orgoza (180832)

Linda Randolph (180832, 170675)


Jeanette Patton (170675)

Bianca Parker (180100)


Jacqueline Wiggins (180100)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

 **Resolution No. 180832:** Resolution Also naming the 2300 block of Ellsworth Street “Patty Jackson Way,” to honor broadcasting pioneer and Philadelphia living legend Patty Jackson.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Bill No. 180295-AAA, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning,” by amending the One Year Rule; modifying certain public notice requirements and making related changes; all under certain terms and conditions.


THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 180295-AA (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 180295-AA WAS ADOPTED.

 **Bill No. 180295-AAA, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning,” by amending the One Year Rule; modifying certain public notice requirements and making related changes; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

Bill No. 180498-AAA, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Zoning and Planning,” to provide for the procedures for the Administrative Review process; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 180498-AA (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 180498-AA WAS ADOPTED.

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THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

Bill No. 170678-AAA: An Ordinance Amending Title 7 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Housing Code,” by adding a new Chapter 7-200, entitled “Mixed Income Housing Program,” to provide for affordable housing standards; amending Section 14-702 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Mixed Income Housing,” to make related changes; amending Chapters 14-600 and 14-700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled, respectively, “Use Regulations” and “Development Standards,” to amend certain zoning standards relating to residential development; and making related amendments; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 180678-AA (SEE FILE).

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 180678-AA WAS ADOPTED.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

- 📄 **Resolution No. 180855:** Resolution Honoring and congratulating the honorees of the 2018 Stellar StartUps Competition.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

- 📄 **Bill No. 160151, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending The Philadelphia Code by adding a new provision authorizing the City of Philadelphia to issue municipal identification cards to City residents, establishing standards, confidentiality provisions, and other related items regarding the cards; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Nays: 0

SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBERS TAUBENBERGER, JOHNSON AND GREEN - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.