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Thursday, February 28, 2008

EXCUSED: 1 - Councilmember Rizzo

PRESENT: 16 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Sanchez and Tasco

Council met, a quorum being present.

Father Mike Davis of Divine Mercy Parrish was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of February 14, 2008

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

Councilmember Tasco requested leave of absence for

Councilmember Rizzo

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- ☐ Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill Nos. 080009 and 080010, which were passed by Council on February 14, 2008, were signed by the Mayor on February 27, 2008. (File No. 080234)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution reappointing Fran Smith to the Board of Director for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 080235)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

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- Transmitting a resolution reappointing William Moore to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 080236)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a resolution reappointing Ellen Yin to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 080237)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a resolution appointing Luca Sena to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 080238)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a resolution appointing Stanley Taraila to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 080239)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a bill authorizing the issuance of one or more series of general obligation bonds to provide funds to refund certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Philadelphia; authorizing the Mayor, City Controller and City Solicitor or a majority of them to sell the bonds at public or private negotiated sale; setting forth the purposes for which the proceeds of the bonds will be expended; providing for the maturities and for other terms and conditions and for the form of the bonds; providing that bonds may be redeemable prior to maturity; providing sinking funds for the bonds and for appropriations to the Sinking Fund Commission for the payment thereof; authorizing agreements to provide credit enhancement or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds, and agreements to manage interest costs and certain other actions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Director of Finance. (File No. 080240)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a bill authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, a certain parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 815 East Washington Lane, for further conveyance. (File No. 080241)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a bill authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, a certain parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 4301 Tacony Street, for further

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conveyance. (File No. 080242)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- 📄 Transmitting a bill authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, some or all of the City's interest in certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, located in an area bounded by North Front Street, Wilkey Street, Leopard Street and Richmond Street; certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 1101-19 North Front Street, located on the east side of North Front street; and certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 1043-47 North Front Street, located on the east side of North Front Street, for further conveyance. (File No. 080243)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Tasco Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

- 📄 **Bill No. 080202:** An Ordinance Authorizing the issuance of one or more series of general obligation bonds to provide funds to refund certain outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Philadelphia; authorizing the Mayor, City Controller and City Solicitor or a majority of them to sell the bonds at public or private negotiated sale; setting forth the purposes for which the proceeds of the bonds will be expended; providing for the maturities and for other terms and conditions and for the form of the bonds; providing that bonds may be redeemable prior to maturity; providing sinking funds for the bonds and for appropriations to the Sinking Fund Commission for the payment thereof; authorizing agreements to provide credit enhancement or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds, and agreements to manage interest costs and certain other actions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.


Councilmember Kenney Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Kenney:

- 📄 **Bill No. 080203:** An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," by amending Section 14-101, entitled "Purpose and Scope", amending Section 14-102, entitled "Definitions," and creating a new Chapter 14-2200, entitled "Sustainable Zoning," to require certain sustainable building and construction practices for public parking lots and public garages, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

-  **Bill No. 080204:** 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 58th Street at Walnut Street, and by reducing to sixty days the phase-in period during which only warnings are issued, all under certain terms and conditions.


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

Councilmember Krajewski Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Krajewski:

-  **Bill No. 080205:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City, to acquire the beds of the portions of Delaware Avenue and Buckius Street that are to be opened pursuant to Bill No. 080131, under certain terms and conditions.


THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

Councilmember Miller Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Miller:

-  **Bill No. 080206:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, a certain parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 815 East Washington Lane, for further conveyance.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.


Councilmember Miller Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Miller:

-  **Bill No. 080207:** An Ordinance Granting permission to ABEER, LP, owner of the property Oak Lane Diner, 6528 N. Broad Street, to legalize an existing vestibule entrance and for the operation and maintenance of a sidewalk cafe covered by a canvas tent on 66th Avenue, under certain terms and conditions.

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


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Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

-  **Bill No. 080208:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, a certain parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 4301 Tacony Street, for further conveyance.


THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

-  **Bill No. 080209:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property on behalf of the City of Philadelphia to transfer to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, for nominal consideration, some or all of the City's interest in certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, located in an area bounded by North Front Street, Wildey Street, Leopard Street and Richmond Street; certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 1101-19 North Front Street, located on the east side of North Front street; and certain parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, known as 1043-47 North Front Street, located on the east side of North Front Street, for further conveyance.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

-  **Bill No. 080210:** An Ordinance \par }\pard \ltrpar\qj \li0\ri0\widctlpar\wrapdefault\aspalpha\aspnum\faauto\adjustright\rin0\lin0\itap0 \pararsid11339436 {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid7145501 Amending Chapter 12-24} {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid11225037\charrsid11225037 00 of The Philadelphia Code,} {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid11225037 entitled \93} {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid7145501 Towing And Immobilizing Of Parked Or Abandoned Vehicles} {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid11225037 ,\94 by } {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid7145501 changing the weight classification for certain boot, removal, and impoundment fees} {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid11419110 , } {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid7145501 and the addition of } {\rtlch\fcs1 \af0 \ltrch\fcs0 \insrsid12278745 certain boot, removal, and

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

Councilmember Clarke Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers
Clarke and Kelly:

- **Bill No. 080211:** 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 9th Street at Roosevelt Boulevard and at the intersection of Hunting Park Avenue at Broad Street, and by reducing to sixty days the phase-in period during which only warnings are issued, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Clarke Introduced the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers
Clarke, DiCicco, Blackwell, Jones, Reynolds Brown, Green, Miller, Greenlee and Sanchez:

- **Bill No. 080212:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Business Privilege Taxes,” by amending Section 19-2604, entitled “Tax Rates, Credits, and Alternative Tax Computation,” by providing an affordable housing tax credit for losses incurred in providing affordable housing, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT AND THE HOMELESS.

RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Kenney Introduced the following Resolution for Councilmember Council
President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmembers Kenney, Miller, Greenlee, Green, Tasco,
DiCicco, Jones, Blackwell, Krajewski, Sanchez, Reynolds Brown and Goode:

- **Resolution No. 080213:** Resolution Proclaiming the month of March, 2008 as
American Red Cross Month.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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Councilmember Blackwell Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Blackwell, Sanchez, Reynolds Brown and Krajewski:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 080214:** Resolution Authorizing the Philadelphia City Council Committee on Education to hold hearings on the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Alert that the Philadelphia School District received recalled-beef through the National School Lunch program including inquiry into efforts by the School District to insure food safety and nutrition.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Councilmember Blackwell Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 080215:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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-fourth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Blackwell Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 080216:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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 Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Tasco Introduced the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 080217:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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 Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Miller Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Miller:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 080218:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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 and Thirteenth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Green Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green, Sanchez and Reynolds Brown:


- 📄 **Resolution No. 080219:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Public Safety to hold hearings to examine the current laws, programs and procedures regarding service of Protection From Abuse orders in Philadelphia County and to explore alternative laws, practices, programs and procedures to ensure that an abuse victim will not suffer further mental and physical trauma by having to confront his or her abuser with service of the Protection From Abuse order.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.


Councilmember Jones Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

 **Resolution No. 080220:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing the great works and commitment of ArchBishop Desmond Tutu, a Champion of oppressed people Worldwide, a Forefather of the Liberation of South Africa and the banishing of Apartheid and the recipient of the Noble Peace Prize, the Albert Schweitzer Prize for Humanitarianism and the Magubela Prize.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.


Councilmember Jones Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

 **Resolution No. 080221:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing Raymond O'Donnell Jr.'s achievement on receiving the Eagle Scout of Honor.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Jones Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

 **Resolution No. 080222:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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 Fourth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Clarke and Jones:

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an alternative method to closing the Robin Hood Dell East for the 2008 Summer Concert Series.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Reynolds Brown:

Resolution No. 080224: Resolution Honoring and Commending Mary J. Blige for her involvement with Radio One's (WPHI 100.3 The Beat and 107.9 WRNB) 1st Annual Music & Entertainment Conference, Sunday March 16, 2008, for her leadership in the community and contributions to the music industry, and as a 2008 Honorary Women Making a Difference Awardee.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Kenney:

Resolution No. 080225: Resolution Recognizing April 22, 2008 as Earth Day in Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

Resolution No. 080226: Resolution Reappointing Fran Smith to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

Resolution No. 080227: Resolution Reappointing William Moore to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.


Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

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 Directors for the Old City Special Services District.


THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

 **Resolution No. 080229:** Resolution Appointing Luca Sena to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District.


THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember DiCicco Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember DiCicco:

 **Resolution No. 080230:** Resolution Appointing Stanley Taraila to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.


Councilmember O'Neill Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Neill:

 **Resolution No. 080231:** Resolution The Council of the City of Philadelphia is pleased and proud, on the occasion of his retirement, to join with the family, many friends and colleagues of Vincent J. Jannetti. We honor him on his exemplary service as Acting Secretary of Financial Oversight and Director of Finance and recognize his thirty-six years of stellar service to the citizens of the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Clarke Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Clarke:

 **Resolution No. 080232:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, 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 Fifteen, Sixteenth and Thirty-second Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Kelly Introduced the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Kelly:

📄 **Resolution No. 080233:** Resolution Honoring Roman Catholic High School's Varsity Football Team.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

📄 **Bill No. 080005, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 13 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Water and Sewer,” by adding a new Chapter regarding termination of water and sewer service and prohibiting the termination of such service on certain days, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 080005.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

📄 **Bill No. 080076:** An Ordinance Amending Bill No. 070368 entitled “An Ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Budget providing for expenditures for the capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas Works (including the supplying of funds in connection therewith) subject to certain constraints and conditions, and acknowledging receipt of the Forecast of Capital Budgets for Fiscal Years 2009 through 2013” by approving a revised Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008.


COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 080076.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT


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 **Bill No. 080006:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter separating and further defining the responsibilities of the City Representative and the Commerce Department; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot questions to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 080006.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.


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

 **Bill No. 080008:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to allow the Administrative Board to increase the number of deputies exempt from civil service in City departments; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot questions to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.


COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 080008.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

 **Resolution No. 080040, as amended:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to allow the Administrative Board to increase the number of deputies exempt from civil service in City departments, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.


THE RESOLUTION WAS FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION; CONSIDERATION AT NEXT STATED COUNCIL MEETING.

 **Resolution No. 080041:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to separate and further define the responsibilities of the City Representative and the Commerce Department; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION; CONSIDERATION AT NEXT STATED COUNCIL MEETING.

COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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-  **Bill No. 080024-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Commercial Activities on Streets,” by adding a new section providing for the certification of tour guides in certain areas of the city, establishing requirements for such certification, and providing for penalties for violations, all under certain terms and conditions.


COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 080024-A.

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

-  **Bill No. 080005, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 13 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Water and Sewer,” by adding a new Chapter regarding termination of water and sewer service and prohibiting the termination of such service on certain days, all under certain terms and conditions.


THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK’S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

-  **Bill No. 080076:** An Ordinance Amending Bill No. 070368 entitled “An Ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2008 Capital Budget providing for expenditures for the capital purposes of the Philadelphia Gas Works (including the supplying of funds in connection therewith) subject to certain constraints and conditions, and acknowledging receipt of the Forecast of Capital Budgets for Fiscal Years 2009 through 2013” by approving a revised Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK’S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

-  **Bill No. 080006:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter separating and further defining the responsibilities of the City Representative and the Commerce Department; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot questions to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.


THE BILL WAS ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK’S SECOND READING CALENDAR.

-  **Bill No. 080008:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to the Philadelphia Home

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Rule Charter to allow the Administrative Board to increase the number of deputies exempt from civil service in City departments; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot questions to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.


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

 **Bill No. 080024-A:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Commercial Activities on Streets," by adding a new section providing for the certification of tour guides in certain areas of the city, establishing requirements for such certification, and providing for penalties for violations, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

BILLS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER O'NEILL - BILL NO. 080084 IS BEING HELD AT THE REQUEST OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

 **Bill No. 080078, as amended:** An Ordinance Authorizing the President of the Fairmount Park Commission, the Executive Director of Fairmount Park, and the Procurement Commissioner, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to enter into a Concession Agreement with Billy Casper Golf, LLC, under which Billy Casper Golf, LLC, would improve, operate, manage and maintain four 18-hole golf courses and one sports center under the jurisdiction of the Fairmount Park Commission, including Olde Course and Karakung Course at Cobb's Creek Golf Club, Franklin D. Roosevelt Golf Course, John D. Byrne Golf Course, and the City Line Sports Center; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: 0

Ayes: 16 - Councilmembers Blackwell, Clarke, Council President Verna, DiCicco, Goode, Green, Greenlee, Jones, Kelly, Kenney, Krajewski, Miller, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Sanchez and Tasco

SPEECHES

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COUNCILMEMBER KENNY - RELEASE OF A BOOK "THE RAINS" BY SULAIMAN CLARKE - THE BOOK BRINGS T LIFE MANY AFRICAN AMERICAN PEOPLE THAT HAVE LIVED AND WALKED THE STREETS OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

COUNCILMEMBER JONES - COUCILMEMBER JONES THANKS FOR BRINGING TO HIS ATTENTION ON FEBRUARY 28, 2008, THAT IT'S BLACK HISTORY MONTH - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO - EXPRESSES CONCERNS WITH HOW LONG RENOVATIONS OF THE DELL EAST CAN TAKE - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE - ASKS HIS COLLEAGUES TO SAVE DATE MARCH 12, 2008 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY)

COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.