

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, February 26, 2026

PUBLIC COMMENT

ABOUT PUBLIC COMMENT: City Council receives public comment on bills and resolutions that are printed on this agenda for the meeting. Speakers will have up to three minutes to speak; please prepare your comments to fit within that time limit. The Council President, may, depending on circumstances, establish a lower time limit. The Council President will announce the applicable time limit at the beginning of the public comment portion of the agenda. The Council President may also limit repetitious comments on the same agenda item or defer comments to the next meeting of Council.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Speakers for public comment can sign up in advance, submit comments electronically, or sign up to speak the day of the meeting.

To sign up in advance, speakers may call 215-686-3406 or email chiefclerk@phila.gov by no later than 3 p.m. the day before the meeting. Speakers who sign up in advance will be added to the list. Speakers must provide the following information:

- Full name (including proper pronunciation and spelling)
- The bill number or resolution number that will be addressed
- Whether you support or oppose that particular bill or resolution
- Telephone number where you can be reached
- Street address

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ORDER OF BUSINESS IN A COUNCIL SESSION

Note: Some items do not occur at every session:

Invocation.

Approval of the journal of the preceding meeting.

Requests by Councilmembers for permission to be absent from the session.

Reading of communications from the Mayor.

Introduction of bills and resolutions (to be referred to appropriate Committees of Council).

Reports from Committees of Council.

Special business.

Bills on first reading.

Public comment on bills and resolutions on the Second Reading and Final Passage Calendars - titles are printed below.

Bills that Council passed but that need to be returned by the Mayor for reconsideration.

Consideration of bills and resolutions on the Second Reading and Final Passage Calendars.

Bills and resolutions on the Suspension Calendar.

Speeches by Councilmembers.

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BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**241070-A****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

Resolution proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to eliminate the requirement that City officers and employees resign from their City office or employment before becoming candidates for public office; and providing for the submission of the amendment of the electors of Philadelphia.

260119**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 3902, 3906 W. Girard Avenue, 3911-15 Cambridge Street located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

260122**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Landau

Resolution calling on the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to expand investments into the evidence-based solution to address homelessness that is Permanent Supportive Housing, and condemning the significant negative impacts such cuts to funding will have on Philadelphia's residents, municipal services, and exacerbate our ongoing housing crisis.

260123**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 515-33 W. Cumberland Street, 2502, 2504, 2506, 2508, 2511-21, 2543-51 N. Fairhill Street, 2506-22, 2524, 2526, 2534-42 N. Reese Street located in the 7th Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

260125**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Brooks

Resolution calling on Governor Josh Shapiro and the Pennsylvania General Assembly to enact adult-use cannabis legalization in 2026.

260129**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Ahmad

Resolution urging the U.S. Senate to oppose the SAVE Act and reject any additional barrier to voter registration.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE**241056****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

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 to eliminate the requirement that City officers and employees resign from their City office or employment before becoming candidates for public office; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

250768**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

An Ordinance amending Title 17 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Contracts and Procurement,” to prohibit contractors providing solid waste, recycling or composting services to the City from incinerating discarded matter, under certain terms and conditions.

250807**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to acquire, on behalf of the City, fee simple title or a lesser interest, by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation or otherwise, for the purpose of making, enlarging, connecting, extending, operating, and maintaining public parks for recreational use, certain parcels of land, generally bounded and located between Vine Street, Fairmount Avenue, 8th Street and 12th Street, together with all improvements thereon and all associated easements and appurtenances; and to lease the property, or a portion thereof, to the Center City District; all under certain terms and conditions.

250843**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Johnson

An Ordinance amending Chapter 10-700 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled “Refuse and Littering,” to require locking dumpsters; all under certain terms and conditions.

250917**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

An Ordinance amending Section 14-529 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “VDO, Fifth District Overlay District,” to provide for building requirements to prevent vacant lots, all under certain terms and conditions.

250980**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-3900 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Property Licenses and Owner Accountability,” by requiring non-resident landlords to provide verifiable contact information and a designated local contact and establishing penalties for non-compliance, all under certain terms and conditions.

251025**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

An Ordinance regulating the direction of movement of traffic on Ryan Avenue between Leon Street and Frankford Avenue.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTIONS****260135****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

Resolution honoring and recognizing Chief Inspector Nicholas Smith for his distinguished service, community-centered leadership, and unwavering commitment to public safety in the City of Philadelphia.

260137**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas for Council President Johnson

Resolution congratulating the Audenried High School Girls Basketball Team on winning the 2026 Public League Championship against Imhotep High School, securing their fourth straight PPL championship.

260138

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Thomas for Council President Johnson

Resolution honoring and recognizing Philadelphia250 and the Philadelphia Visitor Center Corporation, and their Philadelphia community partners for their work on the “Ring It On” citywide semiquincentennial initiative.

260140

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Landau

Resolution recognizing February 28th, 2026, as HIV is Not a Crime Awareness Day in the City of Philadelphia.

260141

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Landau

Resolution honoring and recognizing the U.S. Women’s Hockey Team for winning the gold medal at the 2026 Winter Olympics and representing the United States with distinction, integrity, and excellence.

260142

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Lozada

Resolution recognizing and Celebrating March 2026 as Women’s History Month in the City of Philadelphia and Championing the Power of Women Who Build Connections and Drive Prosperity for All

260143

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Lozada

Resolution recognizing and Honoring the Smedley Bulldog Blitz Cheerleaders as the First Philadelphia Public Elementary School to Compete at the UCA Nationals

260144

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Young

Resolution welcoming the 58th Mid-Atlantic Black Law Students Association Regional Convention to the City of Philadelphia

260145**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

Resolution recognizing March as “National Reading Month” and March 2nd as “Read Across America Day” in the City of Philadelphia, and further honoring the critical work of community organizations working to expand literacy skills of youth and adults across the City of Philadelphia.

260146**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

Resolution recognizing February 23 to February 27, 2026, as Public Schools Week and Celebrating the Essential Role of Public Schools, Educators, Students, and Families in Strengthening the City of Philadelphia

260147**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Brooks

Resolution recognizing and celebrating Dr. Carol Simmons, Nyoca Carr, Estelle Vaughn, Pela McFee, Carolyn Booker, Winnie Harris, and the Black women who devote their lives to nourishing their neighbors and communities across Philadelphia, on the occasion of Black History Month.

260148**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution recognizing and honoring the Imhotep Charter High School boys’ basketball team for winning its sixth consecutive Public League Championship and celebrating its historic achievement in Philadelphia high school basketball.

260149**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution honoring Pastor Clement M. Lupton, III for his outstanding leadership, faithful service, and transformative impact upon the spiritual and civic life of the City of Philadelphia in recognition of Black History Month.

260150**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Ahmad

Resolution authorizing the Joint Committees on Public Health and Human Services and the Children and Youth to hold hearings to raise awareness regarding the role of gaming platforms and social platforms and their use in the grooming, recruitment, and exploitation of minors, including conduct that may lead to human trafficking.

260151**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Ahmad

Resolution recognizing and honoring The Philadelphia Orchestra on the occasion of its 125th Anniversary, celebrating its founding in 1900 and its enduring role in establishing Philadelphia as a global center of culture, creativity, and artistic excellence.

260152**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Ahmad

Resolution honoring Angelo Perryman and Perryman Building and Construction for seventy years of excellence, leadership, and lasting impact on the City of Philadelphia.