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Thursday, March 29, 2007

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Kelly, Campbell, Kenney, Ramos, Rizzo, Savage, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Council met, a quorum being present.

Father Jack Kaloejey of Father Judge High School was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL
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THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- Transmitting a message advising Council that Bill Nos. 070016-A and 070051, which was passed by Council on March 15, 2007, was signed by the Mayor on March 28, 2007. (File No. 070246)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- March 29, 2007

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

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I am returning herewith Bill No. 070112 which would put before the voters a proposed amendment to the Home Rule Charter to prohibit City Council from taking any action that would permit licensed gaming within 1500 feet of a residentially zoned district, an Institutional Development District or certain residentially-related and other specified uses and prohibit the Department of Licenses and Inspection from issuing any license or permit authorizing licensed gaming within such areas. If enacted, the Charter Change Referendum would effectively prohibit licensed gaming on the two sites selected by the Gaming Control Board (GCB) or at any location in Philadelphia where gaming is economically viable.

The City undertook an unprecedented public process. Supporters of the proposed Charter amendment argue the residents of Philadelphia deserve to be heard on the issue of gaming. They have been. Gaming appropriately is authorized at the state level. Nowhere in the country do cities undertake gaming without state authorization. Pennsylvania is no different. Philadelphians through our representatives in the General Assembly voted unanimously in support of gaming in the City.

Residents of Philadelphia have been afforded the opportunity to substantially influence the development of gaming facilities. I remind you, beginning with my appointment of the 47 member Philadelphia Gaming Advisory Task Force in January 2005, thousands of Philadelphians have weighed in on the issue: hundreds of residents participated in a series of 10 public hearings in neighborhoods across the City; thousands more have met with City officials in a series of meetings with effected business, community and other stakeholder groups; others used the Task Force website to offer input; and 598 residents expressed their opinions through a scientific poll in which 83% of those polled indicated they found slots-only gambling acceptable.

The process and the report generated by the Task Force have been uniformly well received by all segments of the media and the broader community. The *Daily News*, in

fact, called the Task Force report an “exhaustive, comprehensive review” that is “required reading, not just for the state Gaming Control Board as they review license applications, but for anyone who hopes to either locate a casino here or will be impacted by one. As we move forward with casino development the City is committed to engage local residents and others. I believe the current process offers the best opportunity to address our legitimate concerns without jeopardizing the benefits to the entire City.

Gaming is crucial to the Growth of the Hospitality Industry and Convention Center Expansion. There are hundreds of millions of dollars of economic benefit to be gained from the introduction of gaming. For the last 20 years, Philadelphia has focused on the hospitality industry as a significant component of the City's economic growth. Strategic investments in the development of the Pennsylvania Convention Center, Center City hotels, stadiums, and cultural assets along the Avenue of the Arts have grown the leisure industry into the fourth largest segment of employment in the City.

The proposed gaming venues located convenient to the Central Business District will strengthen the critical mass of cultural offerings available in Philadelphia. Visitors will have yet another reason to extend their stay in Philadelphia, spending the night, eating in restaurants, visiting museums, and shopping.

Not only does gaming provide our hospitality industry another significant visitor attraction, a total of 5 percent of the expected \$3 billion in annual taxable revenue will assist in funding the expansion of the Pennsylvania Convention Center, allowing the facility to almost double its capacity and make it the largest contiguous exhibit space in the Northeast. The projected growth of the Convention Center is expected to lead to 2,200 new hospitality-related jobs and \$145 million in increased annual economic impact in Philadelphia. The current Convention Center is a key part of the region's hospitality industry, accounting for more than 40 percent of our total tourism business. Negotiations regarding Convention Center expansion are at a critical juncture as soaring construction costs threaten project viability. Without gaming, or with a protracted delay in gaming, we risk losing the opportunity to expand the Convention Center.

Gaming will Support Unprecedented Job Creation. Under the leadership of Dr. Bernard Anderson, Professor of Management at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, the Economic Impact Committee of the Task Force concluded gaming will bring between 7,000 and 12,000 new jobs including: approximately 1500 gaming operation jobs, between 2100 and 4500 new jobs in ancillary operations at the two Philadelphia casinos, and between 3,900 and 6,400 new jobs from growth in businesses that support these industries. In addition, construction of the first phase of the two casinos will add approximately 1,000 construction jobs to the local economy. As a result of programs conducted by the OIC in connection with the Convention Center, the hospitality industry has become one of the industries offering significant entry-level jobs to people in our neighborhoods. The Administration's goal is to implement this model for entry-level job creation as we work to develop a robust gaming industry in Philadelphia. The Task Force projected gaming will generate

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an estimated \$34 million in wages during construction and \$69 to \$78 million in indirect construction-related job wages. Once Phase I is completed, it is projected annual wages will exceed \$47 million, a number that will increase substantially as future phases are developed. Phases II and III will include hotels, retail

malls and condo developments breathing life into the City's New River City Development strategies.

The Revenue for the City will be Substantial: The General Assembly has dedicated approximately \$100 million in revenue annually to fund substantial reductions of Philadelphia's wage tax without further crippling the City's ability to provide core City services. More immediately, the City's proposed FY 08 to FY12 Five Year Financial Plan includes \$71 million in gaming related host fee revenue for the City over just the next five years. In addition, the increased rate of growth in tax revenue projected in the Plan is supported in part by the taxes paid by gaming related job growth. The combination of these dollars-more than \$100 million-supports our social service programs, our Police Department, our Fire Department as well as other essential City services.

Finally, over the next five years, the Philadelphia School District will receive \$25 million from casino host fees. As recent reports on school finances have made abundantly clear, our public schools are facing staggering deficits over the next five years. Every dollar of support is critical.

If the Charter Change Referendum is enacted, the City Risks Losing all Control. The loss of local control over the location of these facilities is significant. The City lobbied aggressively for the right to designate where gaming would occur in Philadelphia, but did not prevail. Instead, the General Assembly enacted legislation creating the Gaming Control Board, delegating to the GCB exclusively the right to select sites where gaming can occur and license the casino operators.

The proposed Charter Amendment, if enacted, will not prohibit gaming in Philadelphia nor move the location of the gaming facilities, since state law clearly preempts any local legislation in the area of gaming. The City Solicitor has said this Bill is illegal, because the City does not have the legal authority to either prohibit or authorize gaming within the City.

In addition to its clear illegality, I have disapproved this Bill because I believe the proposed Charter Change Referendum, if enacted, will encourage the General Assembly to revoke the authority the City retains over the development of the

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proposed gaming sites. We cannot allow this to happen. This is not to dismiss or minimize the challenges casinos pose. Without the construction of an additional exit ramp off Interstate 95, Phase I of casino development, will negatively impact the residents and businesses in adjacent neighborhoods along South Delaware Avenue. Even the casino operator's own traffic study proposes a traffic management strategy that only addresses the impact from the development of Phase I. Concerns about additional crime, traffic, and parking in neighborhoods are real and raised in good faith. Clearly, we must appropriately address the concerns of these communities in addition to protecting the City's other interests.

The City is Working Aggressively to Protect Local Interests. The City now is engaged in negotiations with casino developers over critically important issues:

- after school programs
 - public access to the waterfront at each casino site
 - environmentally designed, energy efficient facilities (LEED Certified)
 - improvements to local storm water infrastructure serving adjacent neighborhoods
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- the elimination of casino tax abatements
 - crime prevention programs and more police on the streets in the area of the gaming facilities
 - jobs for City residents
 - improvements on neighborhood roads
 - minority Participation Goals
 - special services districts that would be controlled by the citizens living in the vicinity of the casinos that would provide money and resources for improvements in the neighborhoods

To the extent that this Bill serves to prevent the implementation of the state gaming act, the state may act to eliminate the current authority we have under state law and our Home Rule Charter. Without this process, the incentive for gaming operators to address City concerns will be greatly diminished. The work to date on addressing the impacts of gaming will no longer be relevant to the approval of gaming facilities. The result would be gaming establishments that are less responsive to local conditions, operating for years to come in ways that will be less accountable to the community.

For these reasons, I urge you to sustain my veto of this Bill.

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Sincerely,
John F. Street
Mayor (File No. 070247)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, designated as Parcel Nos. 603, 604, 605, 606 & 607 also sometimes identified by house numbers and street addresses for Parcel No. 603 as 1503-1541 North Eighth street including 728-732 West Oxford street & 1502-1506, 1510 & 1518 North Perth street, for Parcel No. 604 as 1500-1550 North Franklin street including 723-727 Jefferson street, 726 West Oxford street & 1505-1507 Perth street, for Parcel No. 605 as 605 West Norris street, for Parcel No. 606 as 625 West Norris street and for Parcel No. 607 as 631 West Norris street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Pradera Corporation and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority.
(File No. 070248)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution authorizing the Secretary of Housing, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to file an application and, if the application is accepted, to execute a contract to obtain a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for funding community revitalization efforts in neighborhoods abutting the Delaware River.
(File No. 070249)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing Liberty Property Trust Philadelphia Limited Partnership IV, Eight Penn Center, Suite 1100, 1628 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19103, owner of the Comcast Center at 1701 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19103, for the placement of raised planters on John F. Kennedy Boulevard and the installation of stainless steel security bollards on Arch Street and N. 17th Street adjacent to the Comcast Center, under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 070250)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

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Transmitting a bill authorizing Rimas Properties, 11-15 N. 2nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of the property at 1352 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147, to construct, own and maintain a raised plaza encroachment on the south public sidewalk of South Street to provide ingress and egress to retail tenant spaces and to comply with the property accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 070251)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill authorizing Northern Star Developments LLC, 5 Eiker Road, Cranberry, NJ, 08512, owner of the property at 1617 N. 2nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19122, to construct, own and maintain multi-level bays and balconies as part of the Oxford Mews residential development project, under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 070252)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill authorizing East Falls Development Corporation, 3654 Midvale Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of the property at 3800 Midvale Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129, for the installation of a gateway entrance sign for the East Falls community, under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 070253)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill authorizing Kevin Alsbrook, 400 Gypsy Lane, Apartment 735, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of Bazini's Café and the property at 1800 Lindley Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19141, his successors and assigns, to legalize an existing deck encroachment, which partially encroaches onto the public sidewalks of Lindley and Ogontz Avenues, for use as accessory outdoor seating for Bazini's Café. (File No. 070254)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 187 by striking from the City Plan and vacating the legally opened portion of Belgrade Street from Butler Street to Wheatsheaf Lane, under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 070255)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 63 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Carlton Street from Twentieth Street eastwardly approximately 98'4" to a dead-end, by

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striking and abandoning certain rights-of-way for public utility purposes lying in the beds of former Carlton Street and former Uber Street, by striking and abandoning a certain right-of-way for drainage purposes, water main purposes and public utility purposes lying in the bed of former Wood Street, by relocating a certain portion of the curblin on Vine Street 8' in a southerly direction and by relocating a certain portion of the curblin on 20th Street 7' in a westerly direction, all under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 070256)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 305 by Placing on the City Plan Edgemont Street from Juniata Street to Berkshire Street, at the distance of approximately 235' northwest of Salmon Street, under certain terms and conditions, including the dedication to the City, free and clear of all encumbrances, of the bed of Edgemont Street, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 070257)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 306 by striking from the City Plan Buckius Street from Miller Street to Belgrade Street, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 070258)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTONS

COUNCILMEMBER BLACKWELL MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT THE IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION OF ALL RESOLUTIONS

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO


Councilmember Blackwell Introduced (By Request) the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- ☐ **Bill No. 070220:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Director of Commerce to enter into Use and Lease Agreements between the City of Philadelphia and each of the airlines servicing Philadelphia International Airport, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.


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Councilmember Blackwell Introduced (By Request) the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Verna, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

 **Bill No. 070221:** An Ordinance Constituting the Seventh Supplemental Ordinance to the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance; authorizing the Use and Lease Agreements, if any, with the Scheduled Airlines to provide for the use of the alternate definition of "Project Revenues" under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance; authorizing the Use and Lease Agreements, if any, with the Scheduled Airlines to provide for the alternate definition of "Operating Expenses" under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance; amending the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance to make changes therein to conform to the new Airline-Airport Use and Lease Agreements, if any; electing under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance to provide for the use of the alternate definition of "Project Revenues"; electing under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance to provide for the use of the alternate definition of "Operating Expenses"; authorizing the Bond Committee to pledge as Project Revenues under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance all revenues, rents, rates, tolls or other charges generated by or allocable to the Outside Terminal Area; and authorizing the Bond Committee to include in the definition of "Operating Expenses" all costs and expenses allocable to the Outside Terminal Area to the extent that the Bond Committee determines to pledge as Project Revenues under the Amended and Restated General Airport Revenue Bond Ordinance all revenues, rents, rates, tolls or other charges generated by or allocable to the Outside Terminal Area.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

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

 **Bill No. 070222:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Miscellaneous," by adding a new Chapter providing for notice requirements whenever any deed, mortgage, lien or other legal instrument connected with real property is presented for recording, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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



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and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 306 by striking from the City Plan Buckius Street from Miller Street to Belgrade Street, 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. 070224:** An Ordinance Authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 305 by placing on the City Plan Edgemont Street from Juniata Street to Berkshire Street, at the distance of approximately 235' northwest of Salmon Street, under certain terms and conditions, including the dedication to the City, free and clear of all encumbrances, of the bed of Edgemont Street.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070225:** An Ordinance Authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 187 by striking from the City Plan and vacating the legally opened portion of Belgrade Street from Butler Street to Wheatsheaf Lane, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070226:** An Ordinance Authorizing Kevin Alsbrook, 400 Gypsy Lane, Apartment 735, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of Bazini's Café and the property at 1800 Lindley Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19141, his successors and assigns, to legalize an existing deck encroachment, which partially encroaches onto the public sidewalks of Lindley and Ogontz Avenues, for use as accessory outdoor seating for Bazini's Café.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070227:** An Ordinance Amending Section 9-204 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Sidewalk Vendors in Center City," by prohibiting vendors from within 15 feet of any emergency egress, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070228:** An Ordinance Authorizing Rimas Properties, 11-15 N. 2nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of the property at 1352 South Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147, to construct, own and maintain a raised plaza encroachment on the south public sidewalk of South Street to provide ingress and egress to retail tenant spaces and to comply with the property accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070229:** 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; establishing requirements for such certification; and providing for penalties, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070230:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "City Funds - Deposits, Investments, Disbursements," by amending Section 19-201, entitled "City Depositories," by authorizing the City Treasurer to deposit funds in Citibank, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070231:** An Ordinance Authorizing East Falls Development Corporation, 3654 Midvale Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129, owner of the property at 3800 Midvale Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129, for the installation of a gateway entrance sign for the East Falls community, under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070232:** An Ordinance Amending Title 21 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled, "MISCELLANEOUS," by amending certain provisions all under certain terms and conditions.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070233:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled, "Regulation of Individual Conduct and Activity," by amending certain provisions all under certain terms and conditions.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070234:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulation of Individual Conduct and Activity," by amending certain provisions all under certain terms and conditions.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070235:** An Ordinance Authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 63 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Carlton Street from Twentieth Street eastwardly approximately 98'4" to a dead-end, by striking and abandoning certain rights-of-way for public utility purposes lying in the beds of former Carlton Street and former Uber Street, by striking and abandoning a certain right-of-way for drainage purposes, water main purposes and public utility purposes lying in the bed of former Wood Street, by relocating a certain portion of the curblin on Vine Street 8' in a southerly direction and by relocating a certain portion of the curblin on 20th Street 7' in a westerly direction, 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 Councilmember Clarke:

- 📄 **Bill No. 070236:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by West Jefferson Street, N. Mascher Street, W. Oxford

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Street and N. Howard Street.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 070237:** An Ordinance Authorizing Liberty Property Trust Philadelphia Limited Partnership IV, Eight Penn Center, Suite 1100, 1628 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19103, owner of the Comcast Center at 1701 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19103, for the placement of raised planters on John F. Kennedy Boulevard and the installation of stainless steel security bollards on Arch Street and N. 17th Street adjacent to the Comcast Center, under certain terms and conditions.

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

RESOLUTIONS

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 070238:** Resolution Recognizing Northern Ireland's Catholic and Protestant political parties on the occasion of reaching a historic deal to form a power-sharing government beginning May 8, 2007.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 070240:** Resolution Honoring the Christian Brothers for their dedicated service and commitment to the people of Philadelphia and throughout the world.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 070241:** Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of Housing, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to file an application and, if the application is accepted, to execute a contract to obtain a grant from the

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, for funding community revitalization efforts in neighborhoods abutting the Delaware River.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 070242:** Resolution Recognizing, honoring, celebrating, and thanking George Edward "Butch" Ballard for his outstanding contribution to jazz music both in Philadelphia and nationally.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 070243:** Resolution Honoring and recognizing the Honorable Alan K. Silberstein on the occasion of his retirement.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 070244:** Resolution Urging the members of the General Assembly to enact Senate Bill Nos. 167 and 171 in support of State Senator Anthony Williams and Senator Rafael Musto for their leadership role on kinship care.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 070245:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, designated as Parcel Nos. 603, 604, 605, 606 & 607

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also sometimes identified by house numbers and street addresses for Parcel No. 603 as 1503-1541 North Eighth street including 728-732 West Oxford street & 1502-1506, 1510 & 1518 North Perth street, for Parcel No. 604 as 1500-1550 North Franklin street including 723-727 Jefferson street, 726 West Oxford street & 1505-1507 Perth street, for Parcel No. 605 as 605 West Norris street, for Parcel No. 606 as 625 West Norris street and for Parcel No. 607 as 631 West Norris street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Pradera Corporation and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES


COMMITTEE ON RULES

 **Bill No. 070009:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Reed Street, Tasker Street (Extended), Christopher Columbus Boulevard, and the Delaware River.

COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 070009.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

 **Bill No. 070013, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-1605 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulated Uses," by prohibiting regulated uses within 1000 feet of any Commercial Entertainment District and adding "Payday Lenders" as a regulated use, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER CLARKE MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 070013.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

COMMITTEE ON LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS

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☐ **Bill No. 070149:** An Ordinance Amending Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “The Philadelphia Building Construction and Occupancy Code”, by amending Subcode “PM” (The Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code), by requiring that any advertisement or correspondence pertaining to the rental of residential property shall include the housing inspection license number for such property, providing for penalties, and making certain technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS ORDERED PRINTED AND PLACED ON NEXT FIRST READING CALENDAR.

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Councilmember DiCicco {\rtf1\ansi\ansicpg1252\deff0\deflang1033{\fonttbl{\f0\fnil\charset0 MS Sans Serif;}}
\viewkind4\uc1\pard\f0\fs17 Moved That The Vote By Which Bill No. 070112 Passed Council Be Reconsidered
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THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

☐ **Bill No. 070112:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of a proposed amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the location of licensed gaming facilities within the City, as proposed by a petition presented to the Council and approved for submission to the electors by Resolution; fixing the date of a special election for such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot question to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS RECONSIDERED.

THE BILL AGAIN BEING BEFORE THE COUNCIL, THE QUESTION BEING: SHALL THE BILL NO. 010523 PASS NOT WITHSTANDING THE DISAPPROVAL OF THE MAYOR?

ON THE RECONSIDERATIONN OF THE VOTE BY WHICH BILL NO. 070112 PASSED COUNCIL, THE CLERK SHALL CALL THE ROLL

☐ **Bill No. 070112:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of a proposed amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to the location of licensed gaming facilities within the City, as proposed by a petition presented to the Council and approved for submission to the electors by Resolution; fixing the date of a special election for

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such purpose; prescribing the form of ballot question to be voted on; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS VETO OVERRIDDEN.


The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: 0


Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

BILLS ON FIRST READING


 **Bill No. 070009:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Reed Street, Tasker Street (Extended), Christopher Columbus Boulevard, and the Delaware River.

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

 **Bill No. 070013:** An Ordinance Amending Ssection 14-1605 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulated Uses," by prohibiting regulated uses within 1000 feet of any Commercial Entertainment District and adding "Payday Lenders" as a regulated use, 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

 **Bill No. 060964, as amended:** An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 58 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Melon Street from Ridge Avenue to Thirteenth Street and by reserving and placing on the City Plan a right-of-way for drainage and water main purpose, by striking from the City Plan and vacating a portion of Park Avenue and abandoning a certain right-of-way for drainage and water main purposes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.


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THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

 **Bill No. 060965:** An Ordinance To amend the Institutional Development District Master Plan of Temple University by allowing for the construction of a new building on Block B, of the Institutional Development District at the Northeast corner of 15th and Norris Streets for use as the Edward H. Rosen Center for Jewish Life.


THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: 0

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

 **Bill No. 060052-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Section 19-201 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Depositories,” by revoking the depository status of Wachovia Bank, and revising the list of City depositories, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

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COUNCILMEMBER GOODE MOVED TO AMEND BILL NO. 060052 AS FOLLOWS:

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 060052

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Section 19-201(1)(j) Citibank, N.A.


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THE AMENDMENT WAS READ

COUNCILMEMBER GOODE MOVED FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT


THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO

THE AMENDMENT TO BILL NO. 060052 WAS ADOPTED

 **Bill No. 060052-A, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Section 19-201 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Depositories,” by revoking the depository status of Wachovia Bank, and revising the list of City depositories, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

 **Bill No. 060389:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (“PAID”) to file an application with the Office of the Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, in an aggregate amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to assist in the development of Maria de los Santos Health Center; and authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with PAID in furtherance of grant requirements; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

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📄 **Bill No. 070072, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-2604 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Business Privilege Taxes,” by providing a “Green Roofs Tax Credit” for costs incurred to erect a “green roof” that supports living vegetation, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

📄 **Bill No. 070089:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (“PAID”) to file an application with the Office of the Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, in an aggregate amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to assist in the conversion of the former Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia to the Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience and authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with PAID in furtherance of grant requirements; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

📄 **Bill No. 070090:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (“PAID”) to file an application with the Office of the Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, in an aggregate amount not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist in the development of the WHYY Learning Lab, and authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with PAID in furtherance of grant requirements; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.


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THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

 **Bill No. 070091:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “City Funds - Deposits, Investments, Disbursements,” by amending Section 19-201, entitled “City Depositories,” by authorizing the City Treasurer to deposit funds in Sovereign Bank, under certain terms and conditions.


THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

 **Bill No. 070150:** An Ordinance An Ordinance


THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

 **Bill No. 070169:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (“PAID”) to file an application with the Office of the Budget, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, in an aggregate amount not to exceed Two Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,100,000) to assist in the development of the Jewish Employment and Vocational Services (JEVS), the Jewish Community Center of Philadelphia, and the Pilgrim Gardens Retirement Community; and authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with PAID in

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furtherance of grant requirements; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

☐ **Resolution No. 070129:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to Article VIII, Chapter 5 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, entitled “Referenda Approved by the Voters,” by adding a new section providing that the citizens of Philadelphia urge the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to deny the Philadelphia Gas Works' 2006 Request for a Base Rate Increase.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

Nays: 0

☐ **Bill No. 070117:** An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of an amendment to Article VIII, Chapter 5 of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, entitled “Referenda Approved by the Voters,” by adding a new section providing that the citizens of Philadelphia urge the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to deny the Philadelphia Gas Works' 2006 Request for a Base Rate Increase; 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 READ.

THE BILL WAS PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Campbell, Kelly, Kenney, Ramos, Savage, Rizzo, DiCicco, Council President Verna, Blackwell, Clarke, Krajewski, Miller, Tasco and O'Neill

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Nays: 0

COUNCILMEMBER TASCO MOVED TO ADJOURN.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.