

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, February 1, 2024

PUBLIC COMMENT

Please note that this is an in-person meeting, and it is open to the public. This meeting may also be viewed on Xfinity Channel 64, Fios Channel 40 or <http://phlcouncil.com/watch-city-council/>

Public comment will be received in-person regarding those matters printed on the agenda on the following pages. Speakers interested in participating in public comment at this meeting may call 215-686-3406 by no later than 3 p.m. the day before the meeting and they must submit the following information:

- **Full name (including proper pronunciation and spelling)**
- **Identify the bill number or resolution number that will be addressed**
- **State whether you support or oppose that particular bill or resolution**
- **Telephone number where you can be reached**

Speakers may also sign-up to participate in public comment on the day of the meeting in Room 400, City Hall. Speakers who submitted the above information within the required time frame will be added to the list. Speakers will have up to three minutes to speak; the Council President, however, reserves the right based on circumstances to establish a different time limit. The Council President may also limit testimony where repetitious comments are offered on an agenda item.

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**240032****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution approving the 2023-2024 Neighborhood Preservation Initiative Program Statement and Budget, which addresses the expenditure of \$150 million by various agencies in the third year of the Neighborhood Preservation Initiative Program.

240033**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 5906 Market Street and 5908 Market Street located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

240034**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 4320 and 4322 Lancaster Avenue located in the 3rd Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

240042**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution calling on the leadership of the City of Philadelphia to implement the over 140 recommendations and next steps found in the Blueprint for a Safer Philadelphia, such as expanding the safe school corridor program, ensuring witness relocation, creating a “helping hand” release program, examining firearm restrictions, reducing retail theft, examining drones, increasing the closure rate of homicides, supporting Philadelphia’s youth, and instituting “The Promise Initiative.”

240045**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Landau for Council President Johnson

Resolution authorizing the appointment of a Chief Ethics Officer for the Council of the City of Philadelphia.

240048**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Neill

Resolution renaming the 10900 block of Kirby Drive "Tony Caruso Way" in recognition of his decades of service to the Far Northeast Philadelphia Community.

240049**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass for Council President Johnson

Resolution authorizing requests to the Law Department to represent City Council in appeals from decisions of the Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment and, if the Law Department declines to render such services to City Council, authorizing the retention of outside counsel to provide such services.

240050**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution renaming the 2900 block of North 22nd Street "Ray Murphy Way" to honor Ray Murphy for his tireless service to the North 22nd Street Community.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE**RESOLUTIONS****RESOLUTIONS****240069****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Thomas and Landau

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Legislative Oversight to hold hearings to investigate the City's progress on its carbon neutrality goals to meaningfully participate in the planet-wide effort to mitigate the effects of global warming.

240071**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution authorizing the City Council Committee on Public Health and Human Services to hold public hearings to explore the effects of recent Rite Aid and pharmacy closures in Philadelphia, understand the impact this has on prescription access and vital pharmacy health services for senior citizens, and examine the use of urgent care centers to fill the void in prescription care.

240072**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution authorizing the joint City Council Committees on Public Safety and Public Health and Human Services to hold hearings investigating the mapping out of trauma centers across the city and how they are selected when transporting shooting victims.

240080**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Bass and Squilla

Resolution authorizing Philadelphia City Council to hold hearings and meetings investigating “stop-and-go” establishments that violate restaurant liquor license requirements and further diminish the health, safety, and well-being of the surrounding community.