

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, May 9, 2024

PUBLIC COMMENT

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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**240369****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

Resolution initiating action to a neighborhood improvement District, known as the East Passyunk Avenue Business Improvement District ("District"), in an area that generally includes both sides of East Passyunk Avenue from the south side of Federal Street to the east side of South Broad Street, certain blocks of streets that intersect that portion of East Passyunk Avenue, both sides of South Broad Street from the north side of McKean Street to the north side of Snyder Avenue, and the west side of South Broad Street from the south side of Mifflin Street to the north side of McKean Street; designating the East Passyunk Avenue Business Improvement District, Inc., which has organized itself as a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, as the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association for the District; approving a plan for the District, including a list of proposed improvements and their estimated cost, and providing for assessment fees to be levied on property owners within the District; authorizing the Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, to execute an agreement with the East Passyunk Avenue Business Improvement District, Inc., relating to the District; and authorizing the East Passyunk Avenue Business Improvement District, Inc. to assess property owners within the District a special property assessment fee to be used in accordance with the approved plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, and under certain terms and conditions.

240386**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution appointing Jennifer Greenberg to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank.

240387**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution appointing Maria Gonzalez to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank.

240388**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution appointing Michael Johns to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank.

240389**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution appointing Andrew Goodman to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank.

240390**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier for Council President Johnson

Resolution appointing Nicholas Dema to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank.

240391**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution also naming the 4100 block of Parkside Avenue as “Rev. Dr. Arthur White Way” to honor the life and memory of Rev. Dr. Arthur R. White and his service to the East Parkside community.

240397**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Lozada, Jones, Driscoll, Squilla, Harrity and Ahmad

Resolution requesting the City Controller to conduct a performance audit on all allocations and funding distributed by the City in the Kensington area, and examine the policies and procedures of the recipients and their impact on the City of Philadelphia.

240402**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

Resolution adding “Gjergj Kastrioti Skenderbeu Way” to the street signs on Willits Road between Holme Avenue and Academy Road in recognition of the new Albanian American Community Center being constructed at 3322 Willits Road by the Philadelphia Albanian-American chapter of the Bijte E Shqipes.

240403**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying fee simple title to 1532 W. Loudon Street in the Eighth Councilmanic District of the City of Philadelphia and further authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to transfer to the Philadelphia Land Bank fee simple title to such properties pursuant to Section 16-405 of The Philadelphia Code.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE**240012****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Queen Lane, Wissahickon Avenue, Roosevelt Boulevard (Extended), and Henry Avenue, and to amend Section 14-524 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "/FDO, Fourth District Overlay District," and make related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

240192**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

An Ordinance approving the fifth amendment of the redevelopment proposal for the Tioga Urban Renewal Area, being the area generally bounded by Hunting Park avenue on the north, Broad street, Germantown avenue, Venango street, Fifteenth street, Allegheny avenue and Germantown avenue on the east, Glenwood avenue and Lehigh avenue on the south and Twenty-third street, Allegheny avenue and Twenty-second street on the west, including the fifth amendment to the urban renewal plan, which provides, inter alia, for changes that would make it consistent with the Tioga Redevelopment Area Plan and generally consistent with the most recent Comprehensive Plan approved by the City Planning Commission of the City of Philadelphia.

240215**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Allegheny Avenue, American Street, Lippincott Street, 2nd Street, Gurney Street, Indiana Avenue, 3rd Street, Gurney Street, Clearfield Street, and 5th Street.

240216**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Somerset Street, Orkney Street, Cumberland Street, and 5th Street.

240244**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

An Ordinance amending Section 14-529 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “VDO, Fifth District Overlay District” by removing the exemption from the landscaping standards in the Zoning Code, all under certain terms and conditions.

240247**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Driscoll

An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Kensington Avenue, Buckius Street, Frankford Avenue, and Tioga Street.

240087**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Landau, Brooks, Harrity, Young, O'Rourke, Gauthier, Jones and Driscoll

An Ordinance amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Service and Other Businesses”, by adding a new section regulating the operation of establishments providing tax preparation services and providing for remedies, all under certain terms and conditions.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTIONS****240436****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Resolution welcoming TEDxDilworthPark to the City of Philadelphia and recognizing them for their commitment to ideas worth spreading on a global scale.

240437**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Thomas and Gilmore Richardson

Resolution declaring May 5th to May 11th, 2024, as Youth Apprenticeship Week in the City of Philadelphia, and recognizing the impact of youth apprenticeship programs on workforce development in the City of Philadelphia.

240438**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

Resolution honoring and congratulating the Educator of the Month, William W. Sax, for his dedication to his students at South Philadelphia High School.

240439**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution honoring and Recognizing the runners who competed in the 2024 Independence Blue Cross Broad Street Run as well as the dedicated work of the Special Events Emergency Medical Technician Team who were responsible for keeping the race a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

240440**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

Resolution proclaiming May 5th-May 11th, 2024, as “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week” in the City of Philadelphia to celebrate the dedicated work of the correctional officers and staff at the Philadelphia Department of Prisons.

240441**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Landau and Thomas

Resolution declaring May 9, 2024 as “Black Teacher Appreciation Day” in the City of Philadelphia.

240442**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Landau and Brooks

Resolution declaring May 10, 2024 as “Child Care Provider Appreciation Day in the City of Philadelphia, and recognizing the essential value that child care providers have in our community.

240443**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Young

Resolution recognizing the week of May 6-10, 2024 as Well-Being Week in Law in the City of Philadelphia.

240447**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Brooks

Resolution honoring and recognizing O'Shae Leon Sibley, a dancer, choreographer, and life-changing community leader, who inspired countless performers with his passion and ambition, advocated tirelessly for Black, queer, and transgender communities, and empowered youth to find their distinct paths to greatness.

240448**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Harrity for Council President Johnson

Resolution honoring, recognizing, and congratulating Philabundance, the Greater Philadelphia Area's largest hunger relief organization, on the occasion of its 40th Anniversary.

240449**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers O'Rourke and Thomas

Resolution honoring and celebrating Murrell Dobbins Career and Technical Education High School's Mustang Barbershop for its excellence in cultivating an exemplary career and technical education program in the art of barbering.

240451**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember O'Neill for Council President Johnson

Resolution honoring Jim Tyrrell on the occasion of his retirement from the Department of Aviation and recognizing Jim's 37 years of dedicated service to the City of Philadelphia.

240452**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Johnson

Resolution honoring Dexter Resta for his acceptance to Yale University and recognizing Dexter's historic achievement as the first Prep Charter High School graduate to earn a full scholarship to Yale.

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INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Bass

Resolution recognizing Mt. Airy Day, this Saturday, May 11th as we embrace the spirit of community and its enduring commitment to building bridges, breaking down barriers, and fostering a sense of belonging among all residents of Mt. Airy.