

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, January 25, 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.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE**240001****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution to provide Rules for the Government of the Council of the City of Philadelphia.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTIONS****240027****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Finance to investigate the operations and significant overspending of the Office of Homeless Services under the previous administration, as well as quality of services provided in the homeless services system.

240028**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Education to hold hearings concerning the practice of “leveling” and its impact on students and teachers in the School District of Philadelphia, especially following the learning loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

240031**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to conduct a hearing on the City of Philadelphia’s capacity to prepare individuals of all educational backgrounds for careers in the growing life sciences industry, with a focus on the cell and gene therapy subsector.

240035**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Thomas and Gilmore Richardson

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Streets and Services to hold hearings to investigate the rise in moving violations and traffic deaths since 2020 and explore solutions to create a safer Philadelphia for people walking, cycling and driving.

240043**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Landau

Resolution authorizing the City Council Committee on Technology and Information Services to hold hearings examining data to most effectively implement place-based strategies and appropriate technologies to reduce violence through the targeted investment of resources, services, and environmental improvements.

240047**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Young, Gilmore Richardson and Bass

Resolution authorizing the Council Committee on Commerce & Economic Development to hold hearings regarding the Abandoned and Blighted Property Conservatorship Act of Pennsylvania.