

**City of Philadelphia**  
**City Council Calendar**  
**Thursday, May 25, 2023**

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**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****210396****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Parker

Resolution calling on the Sheriff of the City of Philadelphia to request an Order from the President Judge of the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas of the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania to temporarily stay all mortgage and tax foreclosure sales.

**210913****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass

Resolution authorizing City Council to retain legal counsel to file a lawsuit to require the Administration to implement and enforce Bill Number 200425, an ordinance duly enacted by the City Council of Philadelphia which became law on January 28, 2021.

**230420****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Phillips

Resolution calling on the Administration and School District of Philadelphia to address and expand financial literacy education in the City of Philadelphia.

**230423****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Housing Authority a deed conveying fee simple title to 2338 N. 31st Street; 2340 N. 31st Street; 2408 N. 31st Street; 2410 N. 31st Street; 2412 N. 31st Street; 2500 N. 31st Street; 2401 N. 32nd Street; 2549 ½ N. 32nd Street (aka 2551 N. 32nd Street); 3230-38 Diamond Street; 3010 W. York Street; 3012 W. York Street; 3014 W. York Street; 3013 W. York Street; 3015 W. York Street; 3108 W. York Street; 3110 W. York Street; 3112 W. York Street; 3200 W. York Street; 3202 W. York Street; 3204 W. York Street; 3206 W. York Street; 3214 W. York Street; 3222 W. York Street in the Fifth Councilmanic District of the City of Philadelphia pursuant to Section 16-706 of The Philadelphia Code.

**230432****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Harrity and Lozada

Resolution calling on Safehouse, the United States Department of Justice, and the Mayor to halt implementation of supervised injection sites in the City of Philadelphia, to involve community groups and other branches of city government with differing views to participate in settlement negotiations, and to enforce the previous holding from the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE****200658****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance authorizing the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Upland Way and Berks Street.

**210800****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Gauthier, Parker, Brooks, Gym, Gilmore Richardson, Domb, Squilla and Henon

An Ordinance amending Title 12 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parking Regulations and Penalties," to add a new section entitled "Parking for Qualified School Employees," to provide parking for certain school employees at certain locations; all under certain terms and conditions.

**220916****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 authorize Basic Utilities and Services in a section of Fairmount Park.

**220865**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance amending Title 18 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Commerce,” by adding a new Chapter, entitled “Workforce Development Activity and Reporting,” to promote workforce development activity, and to require the Department of Commerce to report to Council certain aggregate information regarding employment rates and training opportunities, and to report on assessments of the economic impact of the City’s workforce development programs, all under certain terms and conditions.

**221015**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Bass for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Finance, Taxes and Collections,” to incentivize Affordable Housing development by authorizing tax exemptions pursuant to the Affordable Housing Unit Tax Exemption Act, all under certain terms and conditions.

**220940**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones

An Ordinance continuing the Roxborough Neighborhood Improvement District beyond its termination date in an area that generally includes both sides of Ridge Avenue from Main Street beginning with 5122 Ridge Avenue to 7220 Ridge Avenue and certain blocks of streets that intersect that portion of Ridge Avenue; continuing the designation of the Roxborough Development Corporation, 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 Roxborough Development Corporation relating to the District; and authorizing the Roxborough Development Corporation 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.

**230080****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Squilla and Council President Clarke

An Ordinance continuing a neighborhood improvement district, known as the Northern Liberties Business Improvement District ("District"), in an area that generally includes both sides of North 2nd Street from the north side of Callowhill Street to the south side of Girard Avenue, both sides of North 3rd Street from Spring Garden Street to the south side of Willey Street, Spring Garden Street from North 2nd Street to the eastern side of North 5th Street, and certain blocks of streets that intersect portions of these streets; designating the Northern Liberties 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 Northern Liberties Business Improvement District, Inc., relating to the District; and authorizing the Northern Liberties 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.

**230186****INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance authorizing an increase in the non-electoral indebtedness of the City within the Pennsylvania constitutional limit; authorizing the Bond Committee to sell bonds at public or private negotiated sale, to provide funds toward various capital municipal purposes; providing for appropriations to the Sinking Fund Commission for the payment of such bonds; and authorizing agreements to provide credit or payment or liquidity sources for the bonds in connection with issuance of the bonds, and certain other actions.

**230250**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance amending Ordinance (Bill No. 190935) of the Council of The City of Philadelphia, approved by the Mayor on December 18, 2019, to authorize the refunding of additional series of outstanding general obligation bonds; authorizing the purchase by The City of Philadelphia, from time to time, of any of its outstanding general obligation debt; authorizing the amendment, novation or termination, from time to time, of any agreement to manage interest costs incurred in connection with The City of Philadelphia's general obligation debt; further amending said Ordinance (Bill No. 190935) to authorize the payment by The City of Philadelphia from proceeds of general obligation refunding bonds of any required settlement payments and related required amounts in connection with the termination of any such agreements to manage interest costs and additionally authorizing the payment of such settlement payments and related amounts from other legally available funds; and authorizing certain other actions.

**230152**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

An Ordinance amending Section 9-1132 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Cashless Retail Prohibition," by providing an exemption for gym membership transactions, under certain terms and conditions.

**RESOLUTIONS****RESOLUTIONS****230463**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmembers Lozada, O'Neill and Gilmore Richardson

Resolution urging the Administration to pursue comprehensive, qualitative, and quantitative, efforts to improve the ease of doing business in the City of Philadelphia.

**230467**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Vaughn

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Public Safety to hold hearings regarding the escape of two inmates from the Philadelphia Industrial Correctional Center on the evening of May 7, 2023, and the persistent, systemic issues within the Philadelphia Department of Prisons that made such an escape possible.