

JOURNAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF PHILADELPHIA



Thursday, May 16, 2024

PRESENT: 15 - Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

ABSENT: 1 - Councilmember O'Neill

EXCUSED: 1 - Councilmember Ahmad

Council met, a quorum being present.

PASTOR GREGORY FLEMING OF ST. JOSEPH'S BAPTIST CHURCH was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER BASS MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of May 9, 2024

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Councilmember Ahmad

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Transmitting an Ordinance amending Chapter 19-3500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Hospital Assessments," to revise provisions relating to hospital assessments; and authorizing the Department of Public Health to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Commonwealth, Department of Human Services, relating to such hospital assessments; all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 240489)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

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Transmitting a Resolution appointing Cari Feiler Bender to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District. (File No. 240490)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

Transmitting a message advising you that on May 15, 2024, I signed the following bills, which were passed by Council at its session on May 02, 2024: (File No. 240491)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ AND FILED.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

Bill No. 240466: An Ordinance Amending Section 14-303(14) of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Public Hearings of the Zoning Board of Adjustment,” to change the number of board members required for a quorum or for action taken at a Zoning Board of Adjustment hearing, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Council President Johnson, Sponsored by Councilmember Gilmore Richardson:

Bill No. 240467: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-3500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Hospital Assessments,” to revise provisions relating to hospital assessments; and authorizing the Department of Public Health to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Commonwealth, Department of Human Services, relating to such hospital assessments; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Phillips Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Phillips:

Bill No. 240468: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Service and Other Businesses,” by adding a new section regulating the hours of operation of certain establishments and providing for penalties within an area bounded by Ogontz Avenue, between Haines Street and 66th Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

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Councilmember Gauthier Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Gauthier:

Bill No. 240469: An Ordinance Granting permission to University City Eruv Corporation, in order to demarcate the boundaries of University City eruv district, to construct and maintain a clear nylon cord and/or plastic tubes and other ancillary facilities including a maximum of ten poles along, over, and in certain public rights-of-way and City streets, and/or to attach such demarcation facilities to existing facilities owned by other entities authorized by other City ordinances, subject to such owner's consent; all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Gauthier Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Gauthier:

Bill No. 240470: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-3200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Keystone Opportunity Zone, Economic Development District, and Strategic Development Area," to provide for additional extensions of certain benefits, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Landau and Harrity:

Bill No. 240471: An Ordinance Amending Title 4 of the Philadelphia Code ("The Philadelphia Building Construction and Occupancy Code"), by revising Subcode PM ("The Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code") to clarify provisions related to the Necessary Urgent Repair Program and make technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Young, Bass, Brooks, Landau, Harrity, O'Rourke, Council President Johnson, Driscoll, Thomas and Squilla:

Bill No. 240472: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10-2000 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Unlawful Manufacture of Firearms," to add restrictions relating to rate-of-fire acceleration devices, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

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Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Bill No. 240473: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 3743 Midvale Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19129, under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Driscoll Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Driscoll:

Bill No. 240474: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service and Other Businesses", by adding a new section regulating the hours of operation of certain establishments and providing for penalties within an area bounded by East Allegheny Avenue, Kensington Avenue, Torresdale Avenue, and Frankford Avenue, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Squilla and O'Neill:

Bill No. 240475: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-900 ("Parking Regulations and Penalties") and Chapter 12-2800 ("Administrative Adjudication of Parking Violations") of The Philadelphia Code to add prohibitions and penalties related to parking certain large vehicles, including boats, motor homes, house coaches, house trailers, truck campers, recreational cargo trailers, and recreational trailers, under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Bass and Phillips:

Bill No. 240476: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Service and Other Businesses," by adding a new section regulating the hours of operation of certain establishments and providing for penalties within the vicinity of an area bounded by North Broad Street and North Park Avenue, between West Chew Avenue and West Tabor Avenue, and in the vicinity of Wagner Avenue, between North Broad Street and Old York Road, all under certain terms and conditions.

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THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Councilmember Gilmore Richardson Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Ahmad, Sponsored by Gilmore Richardson, Council President Johnson, Jones, Bass, Squilla, Landau, O'Rourke, Phillips and Brooks:

Resolution No. 240477: Resolution Honoring the Life of Christian Hall, Urging the Pennsylvania State Senate to Pass House Bill 1305, and recognizing both Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and Mental Health Awareness Month.

Councilmember Thomas Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Thomas:

Resolution No. 240478: Resolution Recognizing and congratulating the Champion of the Week, Antoinette Ellis, a North Philadelphia native and student at Parkway Center City Middle College, on the occasion of being named a Gates Scholar.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Resolution No. 240479: Resolution Honoring, recognizing, and supporting the courage of the residents at Brit Sholom House located at 3939 Conshohocken Avenue in their pursuit of safe, fair, accessible, and affordable housing in the City of Philadelphia.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Resolution No. 240480: Resolution Honoring Dr. Chad Womack and the United Negro College Fund for their work to advance STEM education in the City of Philadelphia

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Resolution No. 240481: Resolution Authorizing the City Council Committee on Licenses and Inspections to hold public hearings to examine the progress of implementing Section 906 of the Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code entitled "Necessary Urgent Repair Program," understand the impact it would have if fully funded, and further exploring partnerships and programs that could assist in successfully executing this initiative.

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Councilmember Young Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Young:

Resolution No. 240482: Resolution Authorizing the Joint Council Committees on Public Safety and Streets and Services to hold hearings to investigate illegal street racing meetups in Philadelphia.

Councilmember Young Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Young:

Resolution No. 240483: Resolution Honoring the Life and Legacy of Doris "Jean" Hackney, "The Grandmother of North Philadelphia."

Councilmember Brooks Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Brooks and O'Rourke:

Resolution No. 240484: Resolution Celebrating the removal of cannabis from Schedule I of the Federal Controlled Substances Act and recognizing the urgent need for equitably distributed cannabis sales revenue that restores and repairs communities historically targeted by the war on drugs, and calling on the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to legalize and equitably tax cannabis.

Councilmember Brooks Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Brooks:

Resolution No. 240485: Resolution Celebrating May 28 as Women's Hygiene Day, recognizing the urgent need for the City to invest in addressing period poverty, and calling for an expanded period equity effort centered on educating and supplying communities across Philadelphia with women's hygiene resources.

Councilmember Harrity Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Harrity and Young:

Resolution No. 240486: Resolution Renaming the 2700 Block of Germantown Avenue "Leo Rosenblum Way" to honor Leo Rosenblum for his significant contributions to the community and his outstanding legacy in business.

Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Squilla:

Resolution No. 240487: Resolution Appointing Cari Feiler Bender to the Board of Directors for the Old City Special Services District.

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THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

Councilmember Bass Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Bass:

Resolution No. 240488: Resolution Calling on the Committee of Health and Human Services to conduct a hearing regarding the efficacy and impact of recovery homes and transitional housing and to gather input from all stakeholders, including members of affected communities, representatives from recovery homes and transitional housing, and from those in recovery, to better understand the challenges and concerns from all perspectives.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Bill No. 240059: An Ordinance Amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Finances, Taxes and Collections,” by adding a new Chapter 19-4600, entitled “Low-Income Tax Provisions,” providing for the refund or forgiveness of real estate tax liability of certain low-income residents attributable to real estate tax increases and increases in the assessed value of the taxpayer’s homestead, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER GILMORE RICHARDSON MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240059.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240376: 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; and rescinding the authorization set forth in Bill No. 230186-A (approved September 15, 2023).

COUNCILMEMBER GILMORE RICHARDSON MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240376.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES

Bill No. 240119: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of two new light poles and three existing light poles in the vicinity of the Southeast and Northwest corners of John F. Kennedy Boulevard and North Broad Streets and the Northeast corner of John F. Kennedy Boulevard and N. Juniper Street, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240119.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240183: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: Hoffman street between S. 19th street and S. 20th street; Pierce street between S. 17th street and S. 18th street; Pierce street between S. 21st street and S. 20th street; Sigel street between S. 22nd street and S. 23rd street; McClellan street between S. 18th street and S. 17th street; McClellan street between S. 19th street and S. 18th street; McClellan street between S. 20th street and S. 19th street; Jackson street between S. 15th street and S. 16th street; Jackson street between S. 19th street and S. 20th street; McKEAN street between S. 20th street and S. 21st street.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240183.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240184: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of: S. 18th street between Reed street and Wharton street; S. 18th street between Dickerson street and Reed street; S. 18th street between Tasker street and Dickinson street; Oxford street between S. 24th street and S. 25th street; Oxford street between S. 22nd street and S. 23rd street; S. 19th street between Dickinson street and Tasker street; S. 21ST street between Tasker street and Morris street; Manton street between S. 20th street and S. 19th street; Bancroft street between Tasker street and Morris street; Alter street between S. 22nd street and S. 21st street.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240184.

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THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240191: An Ordinance Establishing parking regulations in the vicinity of Norris street between Belgrade street and Gaul Street; Ritter street between Dauphin street and Norris street; York street between Mercer street and Thompson street; Hagert street between Cedar street and Gaul street; Wishart street between Frankford avenue and Emerald street; Delancey street between S. 2nd street and Front street; Front street between Spruce St and Pine street; Spruce street between S. 2nd street and S. 3rd street.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240191.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240221: An Ordinance Authorizing the Procurement Commissioner to enter into a contract for the construction of a sewer and appurtenant work required to provide public sewer service in the 600 and 700 blocks of Hendren Street, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240221.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240239: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 2201 Christian Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146 (“Property”), under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240239.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240240: An Ordinance Amending Section 9-203 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Sales,” to revise and clarify certain provisions related to City parks and recreation facilities and make related technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240240.

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THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240243: An Ordinance Authorizing an encroachment in the nature of a staircase in the vicinity of 1951 East Monmouth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19134, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240243.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240250: An Ordinance Authorizing the installation, ownership, and maintenance of various encroachments along the 700 Block of Sansom Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240250.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240282, as amended: An Ordinance Granting permission to Germantown Jewish Centre to demarcate the boundaries of a Germantown eruv district, to construct and maintain a clear nylon cord and/or plastic tubes and other ancillary facilities including a maximum of ten poles along, over, and in certain public rights-of-way and City streets, and/or to attach such demarcation facilities to existing facilities owned by other entities authorized by other City ordinances, subject to such owner's consent; all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240282, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240301, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 6516 Castor Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19149, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240301, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240302, as amended: An Ordinance Establishing a no parking regulation on the south side of Wises Mill Road between Henry Avenue and Forbidden Drive.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240302, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240329: An Ordinance Establishing a no parking regulation on the west side of North 34th Street between Indiana Avenue and Clearfield Street.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240329.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240331, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Section 9-215 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Streeteries," modifying requirements related to the City's revised standards and requirements associated with the use of portions of the Right-of-Way for outdoor dining.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240331, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240334: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-2700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit Parking Districts," by changing certain boundaries and establishing new permit parking districts, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240334.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

Bill No. 240335, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-2700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit Parking Districts," by extending the authorized duration of temporary parking permits and setting new permit application fees, all under certain terms and conditions.

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COUNCILMEMBER YOUNG MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240335, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bill No. 240118, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Title 9 (“Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions”) of The Philadelphia Code to add a new chapter concerning protections for consumers against unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, and providing remedies, all under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER SQUILLA MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 240118, AS AMENDED.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

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

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Bill No. 240059: An Ordinance Amending Title 19 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Finances, Taxes and Collections,” by adding a new Chapter 19-4600, entitled “Low-Income Tax Provisions,” providing for the refund or forgiveness of real estate tax liability of certain low-income residents attributable to real estate tax increases and increases in the assessed value of the taxpayer’s homestead, under certain terms and conditions.

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

Bill No. 240376: 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; and rescinding the authorization set forth in Bill No. 230186-A (approved September 15, 2023).

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Bill No. 240239: An Ordinance Authorizing encroachments in the nature of a sidewalk café in the vicinity of 2201 Christian Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146 (“Property”), under certain terms and conditions.

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Bill No. 240240: An Ordinance Amending Section 9-203 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Sidewalk Sales,” to revise and clarify certain provisions related to City parks and recreation facilities and make related technical changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Bill No. 240334: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-2700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit Parking Districts," by changing certain boundaries and establishing new permit parking districts, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Bill No. 240335, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 12-2700 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Permit Parking Districts," by extending the authorized duration of temporary parking permits and setting new permit application fees, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

Bill No. 240118, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Title 9 ("Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions") of The Philadelphia Code to add a new chapter concerning protections for consumers against unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, and providing remedies, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND ORDERED PLACED ON NEXT WEEK'S SECOND READING

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CALENDAR.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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| State Rep. Rick Krajewski | 240450 |
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| Regina Abrami | 240012 |
| Jessica Lubniewski | 240450 |
| Sterling Johnson | 240247 |
| Safiya Elliotte | 240450 |
| Ebony Staton | 240450 |
| Kate Perez | 240087A |
| Madison Gray | 240479 |
| Steven Kohalmi | 240479 |
| Marlene Robinson | 240479 |
| Leslie Wolff | 240479 |
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| Matteo Hintz | 240450 |
| Sam Samore | 240450 |
| Kierra Felton | 240444 |
| Shedrick Felton | 240444 |
| Lynn Landes | 240220 |
| Naderah Griffin | 240446 |
| Ogbonna Hagins | 240445 |
| Dee Dukes | 240479 |
| William Hendricks | 240446 |
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| Hilary Langer | 240012 |

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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

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240444: Resolution Also naming the 2900 block of Girard Avenue as “Lana Felton Ghee Way.”

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240445: Resolution Also naming the 2300 block of Oakdale Street as “Jill Scott Lane.”

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240446: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority deeds conveying fee simple title to 928 French Street in the Fifth 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.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember O'Rourke called up:

Resolution No. 240450: Resolution Honoring the University of Pennsylvania workers whose organizing has resulted in a wave of labor victories and who are now represented by AFSCME DC 47, CIR-SEIU, OPEIU, and UAW, and calling upon the University of Pennsylvania to come to the bargaining table, without delay, and negotiate contracts in good faith with the workers.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL
PASSAGE**

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Bill No. 240012-A: 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.

THE BILL WAS READ.

THE BILL WAS AMENDED.

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

Bill No. 240247-A, as amended: 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.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Absent: 2 Councilmembers O'Neill and Ahmad

Ayes: 15 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

Bill No. 240281: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Montgomery Avenue, 10th Street, Girard Avenue, and 13th Street.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Absent: 1 Councilmember O'Neill

Ayes: 15 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

Bill No. 240087-A, as amended: 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.

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THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Absent: 1 Councilmember O'Neill

Ayes: 15 Councilmembers Bass, Brooks, Driscoll, Gauthier, Gilmore Richardson, Harrity, Jones, Lozada, Phillips, Squilla, Thomas, Landau, O'Rourke, Young and Council President Johnson

Nays: 0

RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Thomas called up:

Resolution No. 240478: Resolution Recognizing and congratulating the Champion of the Week, Antoinette Ellis, a North Philadelphia native and student at Parkway Center City Middle College, on the occasion of being named a Gates Scholar.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Jones called up:

Resolution No. 240479: Resolution Honoring, recognizing, and supporting the courage of the residents at Brith Sholom House located at 3939 Conshohocken Avenue in their pursuit of safe, fair, accessible, and affordable housing in the City of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Jones called up:

Resolution No. 240480: Resolution Honoring Dr. Chad Womack and the United Negro College Fund for their work to advance STEM education in the City of Philadelphia

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Jones called up:

Resolution No. 240481: Resolution Authorizing the City Council Committee on Licenses and Inspections to hold public hearings to examine the progress of implementing Section 906 of the Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code entitled "Necessary Urgent Repair Program," understand the impact it would have if fully funded, and further exploring partnerships and programs that could assist in

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successfully executing this initiative.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240482: Resolution Authorizing the Joint Council Committees on Public Safety and Streets and Services to hold hearings to investigate illegal street racing meetups in Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Young called up:

Resolution No. 240483: Resolution Honoring the Life and Legacy of Doris "Jean" Hackney, "The Grandmother of North Philadelphia."

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Brooks called up:

Resolution No. 240485: Resolution Celebrating May 28 as Women's Hygiene Day, recognizing the urgent need for the City to invest in addressing period poverty, and calling for an expanded period equity effort centered on educating and supplying communities across Philadelphia with women's hygiene resources.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Councilmember Bass called up:

Resolution No. 240488: Resolution Calling on the Committee of Health and Human Services to conduct a hearing regarding the efficacy and impact of recovery homes and transitional housing and to gather input from all stakeholders, including members of affected communities, representatives from recovery homes and transitional housing, and from those in recovery, to better understand the challenges and concerns from all perspectives.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

SPEECHES

Councilmember Brooks, Councilmember O'Rourke, Councilmember Phillips, Councilmember Jones, Councilmember Young, Councilmember Landau, and Councilmember Bass

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COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO ADJOURN
THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.