

City of Philadelphia
City Council Calendar
Thursday, April 27, 2023

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**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.

230311**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

Resolution authorizing and ratifying Council President Clarke's participation, on behalf of and as representative of City Council, in all proceedings relating to the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment with respect to 1600 East Berks Street.

230313**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 3418, 3420, and 3422 Kensington Avenue located in the 7th Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

230314**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Lozada

Resolution authorizing the Philadelphia Land Bank to dispose of 2032 E. Boston Street located in the 7th Councilmanic District in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-700 of The Philadelphia Code.

230315**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gauthier

Resolution renaming the 700 Block of N. 39th Street “Hon. Charles L. Durham Way” to honor the life and legacy of the late Common Pleas Judge, Civil Rights Leader, community advocate, and Philadelphia City Councilmember, the Honorable Charles L. Durham.

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.

230150**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2023 from the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, and the Grants Revenue Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, to the General Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions, the Hotel Room Rental Tax Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions and the Grants Revenue Fund, certain or all City offices, departments, boards and commissions.

220969**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Jones for Council President Clarke

An Ordinance authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to accept a historically-designated building from 2000 Arch Associates LP, which will move and reinstall the building on City property, under certain terms and conditions.

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230328**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Gilmore Richardson

Resolution authorizing hearings in the Committee on the Environment to evaluate the environmental justice impacts of the City's waste management practices and potential alternatives to the City's contract with Covanta Delaware Valley LP.

230330**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Thomas

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Education to hold hearings investigating the use of an independent authority to bond and manage the school facilities modernization that safety calls for and students, parents, teachers and communities deserve.

230335**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilmember Squilla

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Commerce & Economic Development to conduct hearings regarding supplier diversity initiatives including Philadelphia Anchors for Growth & Equity.