



City of Philadelphia

City Council
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Councilmember Blackwell

**Referred to the
Committee on Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs**

AN ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City, to acquire fee simple title or a lesser interest, by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation or otherwise, in Sayre Morris Recreation Center located 5800 Walnut Street for public recreational or other purposes, under certain terms and conditions.

WHEREAS, The City would like to acquire fee simple or lesser interest such as an easement, by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation or otherwise, in all or part of Sayre Morris Recreation Center located 5800 Walnut Street for public recreational or other purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Sayre Morris Recreation Center which the City desires to acquire fee simple or lesser interest, is an essential recreational asset in the neighboring community and is heavily utilized by the community during and after the regular school-day and school-year; now therefore,

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. The Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City, is authorized to acquire by purchase, dedication, donation, condemnation, agreement in lieu of condemnation or otherwise, fee simple title or a lesser interest such as an easement, in all or part of Sayre Morris Recreation Center located 5800 Walnut Street for the purpose of operating and maintaining all or part of the facility for public recreational or other use.

SECTION 2. The property, and parts thereof, that are subject to this Ordinance include:

- 1: The Sayre Morris Recreation Center Building;
- 2: Sayre Morris Recreation Center Swimming Pool; and

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3: Sayre Morris Recreation Center Gymnasium.

SECTION 3. The City Solicitor is authorized to review and approve all documents necessary to complete the acquisitions authorized by this Ordinance. The City Solicitor is further authorized to include in those documents provisions that the City Solicitor deems necessary and desirable to protect the interests of the City.