

Thursday, January 26, 2012

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson,

Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien

Council met, a quorum being present.

Reverend Tamieka Moore of Tenth Memorial Baptist Church, was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER JONES MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of January 2, 2012.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 308 by striking from the City Plan and vacating Spruce Street from Twenty-Fifth Street to the Pierhead & Bulkhead Line of the Schuylkill River, striking from the City Plan and vacating Twenty-Sixth Street from Spruce Street to Delancey Place, and placing on the City Plan rights of way for sewer and drainage purposes and water main purposes within the lines of the said streets being stricken and incorporating the vacated areas of said streets under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks and Recreation, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 120046)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

ď	Transmitting a bill authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of
	City Plan Nos. 347 and 350 by striking from the City Plan Strahle Street from
	Pine Road to the Philadelphia & Montgomery County Line and striking from the
	City Plan a certain stub portion of Rockwell Avenue which extends

northeastwardly from said Strahle Street, under certain terms and conditions, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 120047)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

Transmitting a bill amending Section 2 of an Ordinance (Bill No. 070504) approved July 3, 2007, entitled "An Ordinance Authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 197 by striking from the City Plan and vacating the legally open portions of Casper Street from Tioga Street to Russell Street, striking from the City Plan Russell Street from Casper Street southeastwardly approximately three-hundred ten feet to a dead end, and striking from the City Plan and abandoning a certain drainage right of way, and by reserving and placing on the City Plan rights-of-way for water main purposes, drainage purposes, and public utility purposes within the beds of the streets being stricken by authority of this Ordinance, if necessary, under certain terms and conditions," by extending the period for compliance with the terms and conditions stated therein, accompanied by an explanatory letter from the Streets Commissioner. (File No. 120048)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

Resolution No. 120025: Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to hold public hearings investigating the feasibility, advantages and legal measures required to establish a special purpose zone in one or more struggling neighborhoods to spur economic development.

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

Bill No. 120003: An Ordinance Amending Section 2 of an Ordinance (Bill No. 070504) approved July 3, 2007, entitled "An Ordinance authorizing and directing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan No. 197 by striking from the City Plan and vacating the legally open portions of Casper Street from Tioga Street to Russell Street, striking from the City Plan Russell Street from Casper Street southeastwardly approximately three-hundred ten feet to a dead end, and striking from the City Plan and abandoning a certain drainage right-of-way, and by reserving and placing on the City Plan rights-of-way for water main purposes, drainage purposes, and public utility purposes within the

beds of the streets being stricken by authority of this Ordinance, if necessary, under certain terms and conditions," by extending the period for compliance with the terms and conditions stated therein.

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

Councilmember Henon Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Henon:
Bill No. 120004: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Torresdale Avenue, Megargee Street, Cottage Street, Placid Street Frankford Avenue, and Tolbut Street.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.
Councilmember Henon Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Henon and O'Neill:
Resolution No. 120026: Resolution Authorizing City Council's Committee or Technology and Information Services to hold public hearings for the purpose of determining the current condition of the City's information technology (IT) environment and the Office of Innovation and Technology's plans for improving and supporting the internal requirements of City departments and agencies which will enable the public and City agencies to interact efficiently, creatively, and transparently.
Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Tasco:
Bill No. 120005: An Ordinance Establishing a no truck parking regulation or Front Street, from 65th Avenue to Godfrey Avenue, both sides.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.
Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Tasco, Reynolds Brown and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120027: Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Author Sonia Sanchez as the First Poet Laureate of the City of Philadelphia.
Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Tasco and Quiñones

Sánchez:

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Calendar the	per Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage following Resolution for Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez, Sponsored by pers Jones, Oh and Tasco:
E d <i>A</i> n	Resolution No. 120029: Resolution Authorizing the Council Committee on Education to conduct hearings to examine the Philadelphia School District's discipline policy and the recent report "Zero Tolerance in Philadelphia" by the Advancement Project and Youth United for Change, which documents the regative and disproportionate effect of zero tolerance discipline policies on poor and minority students.
Calendar the	per Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage following Resolution for Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez, Sponsored by pers Jones, Oh and Tasco:
n fi	Resolution No. 120030: Resolution Calling on the Federal Taskforce of States Attorney General's negotiating a settlement with the major banks related to the nortgage crisis, not to offer any settlement that would grant banks immunity to urther prosecution, and to preserve each States right to pursue legal action on the broader issues of mortgage abuse.
	per Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones and Quiñones
to c P c d	Resolution No. 120031: Resolution Urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly or reject House Bill 2029 as unnecessary and inconsistent with our core onstitutional principles, and affirming that the Council of the City of Philadelphia welcomes all religious beliefs, traditions and heritages, and has full onfidence in the U.S. Constitution and the laws of the state of Pennsylvania and loes not entertain any concern that any foreign or religious law offers a threat to the law of the land.
	per Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage following Resolution for Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez, Sponsored by :
P P ta ii	Resolution No. 120032: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and emprovements thereon, situate in the Nineteenth and Thirty-sixth Wards of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and
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authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvement in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmembers Council President Clarke, O'Brien, Jones, Greenlee, Bass, Johnson, Goode, Oh, Henon, Squilla, Kenney, O'Neill and Reynolds Brown, Sponsored by Councilmember Green:

Bill No. 120006: An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter providing for a mandatory Asset Sales Optimization Fund; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

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

Bill No. 120007: An Ordinance Amending Chapters 19-2600, 19-1500, and 19-2800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled, respectively, "Business Privilege Taxes," "Wage and Net Profits Tax," and "Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority Tax on Wages and Net Profits." by providing certain exclusions and revising certain definitions, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green, Jones, Goode, Blackwell, Council President Clarke, Johnson, Reynolds Brown, O'Neill and Quiñones Sánchez:

Bill No. 120008: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-1000 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Employment of Low- and Moderate-Income Persons by City Contracts," to require that a certain percentage of work hours performed under certain public construction and non-professional services contracts be performed by available City resident workers, and that businesses entering into such contracts submit an employment plan and report on workforce compliance; to add further requirements for employment of low and moderate income persons; all under certain terms, conditions and penalties.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by

Councilmembers Green, Jones, Goode, Greenlee, Blackwell, Council President Clarke, Johnson, Reynolds Brown, O'Neill and Quiñones Sánchez:
Bill No. 120009: An Ordinance An Ordinance
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.
Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green, Jones, Goode, Blackwell, Council President Clarke, Johnson, Reynolds Brown, O'Neill and Quiñones Sánchez:
Bill No. 120010: An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for City Council's power to require certain City contractors and recipients of financial assistance to employ a specified percentage of City residents to perform work on such contracts, and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.
Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green, Jones, Goode, Greenlee, Blackwell, Council President Clarke, Johnson, Reynolds Brown and O'Neill:
Bill No. 120011: An Ordinance Amending Section 17-109 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Local Bidding Preferences," by revising the process for certifying Local Business Entities; requiring targeted goals to increase Local Business Entity participation in both competitively bid and non-competitively bid contracts; and requiring reporting on such goals in the Annual Report, under certain terms and conditions.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.
Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Resolution for Councilmembers Council President Clarke and Quiñones Sánchez, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green, Jones, Greenlee, Bass, Johnson, Goode, Oh, Henon, Kenney, Reynolds Brown, O'Neill, Squilla and O'Brien:
Resolution No. 120033: Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter providing for a mandatory Asset Sales Optimization Fund, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember Green Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Green and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120034: Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to employment of City residents by certain City contractors and recipients of City financial assistance, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.
THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.
Councilmember O'Brien Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers O'Brien and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120035: Resolution Recognizing April 2012 as Autism Awareness Month in honor of the individuals diagnosed and living with Autism along with their caregivers and families.
Councilmember Goode Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Goode, Jones, Reynolds Brown, Council President Clarke, Green and Greenlee:
Bill No. 120012: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business Income and Receipts Taxes," by revising the "Special Tax Credit Opportunity for Job Creation," under certain terms and conditions.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
Councilmember Goode Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Goode, Jones, Reynolds Brown, Council President Clarke, Green and Greenlee:
Bill No. 120013: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-1600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Economic Opportunity Plans," by enacting a new Section 17-1607, entitled "Economic Opportunity Review Committee," all under certain terms and conditions.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
Councilmember Goode Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage

Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Goode:

and Economic Development to hold hearings to review the annual City contract participation goals released by the Finance Department pursuant to Title 17 of The Philadelphia Code.
Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Reynolds Brown:
Bill No. 120014: An Ordinance Amending Title 9 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Regulation of Businesses, Trades and Professions," to provide for the sale of liquor and malt or brewed beverages until 3:00 A.M. by certain or all liquor licensees, under certain terms and conditions.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.
Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120037: Resolution Honoring the African American Children's Book Project on the occasion of the 20th Annual African American Children's Book Fair.
Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Bass, Tasco and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120038: Resolution Recognizing January as "National Human Trafficking Awareness Month" in Philadelphia.
DISCUSSION - COUNCILMEMBER BROWN - RESOLUTION NO. 120038 - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).
Councilmember Reynolds Brown Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Reynolds Brown and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120039: Resolution Appointing Councilmembers Marian Tasco and Curtis Jones, Jr. to the Philadelphia Gas Commission.
Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:
Bill No. 120015: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Broad Street, Master Street, Carlisle Street, and Thompson Street; and amending Section 14-305 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "'C-4'

Commercial and 'C-5' Commercial District"; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Bill No. 120016: An Ordinance Amending Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Zoning and Planning," and Title 16 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Public Property," to provide for a comprehensive plan for the placement of advertising on municipal property, and to further authorize contracts and concessions for the placement and management of advertisements on municipal property, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

Bill No. 120017: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10-1200 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Posting of Signs," by allowing the posting of temporary signs on utility poles and streetlights in certain permitted areas and in accordance with certain requirements, adding definitions, providing for penalties and making certain 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 Councilmembers Jones, Bass, Johnson, Council President Clarke, Tasco and Blackwell:

Bill No. 120018: An Ordinance Naming and designating the "Robin Hood Dell East" located at Ridge Avenue and Huntingdon Drive as the "Georgie Woods Entertainment Center."

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Bill No. 120019: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 16-400 ("Vacant and Surplus Properties") to establish Development Districts wherein City-owned real estate may be transferred to the Redevelopment Authority of Philadelphia for further transfer, at a discount, for economic development purposes, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

Bill No. 120020: An Ordinance Establishing a neighborhood improvement district in an area that generally includes the areas roughly bounded by: (a) York Street, Carlisle Street, Girard Avenue and 19th Street; (b) York Street, the SEPTA Regional Rail tracks, Susquehanna Avenue and Watts Street; and (c) The Diamond Green, Kardon Atlantic, University Village and Wanamaker School developments, be known as the North Central Neighborhood to Improvement District; designating North Central Management 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 North Central Management Corporation, relating to the District; and authorizing North Central Management 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.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

•	Resolution	No.	120040:		Resolution			Ackno	wledging	Jan	uary	2012,	as
	"National	Mento	ring	Mon	th"	on	their	11th	Annivers	ary,	and	proclair	ning
	January 26	3, 2012	as "	Thank	Yo	ur M	entor	Day" -	here in Ph	ilade	lphia.		

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Johnson, Reynolds Brown and Quiñones Sánchez:

-	Resolution	No.	1200	41:	Resolution	n Urging		the	the Pennsylv		ania Dep		artme	nt of
	Public Welt	fare	State	to	reconsider	its	propos	sed	asset	test	in	order	for	needy
	Pennsylvania	ans	to re	ceive	e benefits	unde	er the	S	uppler	nent	Nut	trition	Assi	istance
	Program.													

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones, Blackwell and Oh: Resolution No. 120042: Resolution Authorizing Council's Committee on Public Safety and Committee on Housing Neighborhood Development Homeless to hold joint hearings on the City and State's preparedness for the influx of returning veterans from war, including Iraq and Afghanistan. Councilmember Jones Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar - Rules Suspended the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones: **Resolution No. 120043:** Resolution Initiating action to establish a neighborhood improvement district in an area that generally includes the areas roughly bounded by: (a) York Street, Carlisle Street, Girard Avenue and 19th Street; (b) York Street, the SEPTA Regional Rail tracks, Susquehanna Avenue and Watts Street; and (c) The Diamond Green, Kardon Atlantic, University Village and Wanamaker School developments, the North Central to be known as Neighborhood Improvement District, and for which North Central Management nonprofit corporation, would serve as Corporation, Pennsylvania Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association; and authorizing and directing the Committee on Rules and the Clerk of Council to take all actions that are required by the Community and Economic Improvement Act, prior to enactment of an ordinance that would formally establish the District. Councilmember O'Neill Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Neill: Bill No. 120021: An Ordinance Repealing Bill No. 070955-AA (approved December 21, 2007), entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Burholme Avenue, Napfle Avenue, Burholme Avenue, Hartel Avenue, Hasbrook Avenue, Central Avenue, Cottman Avenue, Fillmore Avenue and Shelmire Avenue (Extended)." THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES. Councilmember O'Neill Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember O'Neill: Bill No. 120022: An Ordinance Authorizing the revision of lines and grades on a portion of City Plan Nos. 347 and 350 by striking from the City Plan Strahle Street from Pine Road to the Philadelphia & Montgomery County Line and

striking from the City Plan a certain stub portion of Rockwell Avenue which extends northeastwardly from said Strahle Street, under certain terms and conditions.

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

Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Squilla:
Bill No. 120023: An Ordinance Amending the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Chestnut Street, 2nd Street, Walnut Street and 3rd Street, all under certain terms and conditions.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.
Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Squilla and Johnson:
Bill No. 120024: An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Snyder Avenue, the Delaware River, Pattison Avenue and the Delaware Expressway.
THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.
Councilmember Tasco Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmembers Bass and Quiñones Sánchez, Sponsored by Councilmembers Blackwell, Oh, Squilla, Henon, Kenney, Tasco, Greenlee and Reynolds Brown:
Resolution No. 120044: Resolution Recognizing Cooperatives' Contributions to Economic and Social Development during the International Year of Cooperatives.
Councilmember Bass Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Bass and Quiñones Sánchez:
Resolution No. 120045: Resolution Calling on the Philadelphia City Council Committee on Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs to hold public hearings to determine and identify Parks and Recreation Department resources, along with other City departments' programming, universities, cultural institutions, social and non-profit organizations focused on youth, which can be utilized to aid in the academic enrichment and supplement the academic needs of Philadelphia public school students.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

DISCUSSION - COUNCIL PRESIDENT CLARKE - PUBLIC COMMENT - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

The following persons provided public comment on January 26, 2012:

Name and Comment Subject

Robert Sillar (120001) Sandra Stewart (120001) Bob Noble (120044)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

Resolution No. 120001: Resolution To provide Rules for the Government of the Council of the City of Philadelphia.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
Resolution No. 120027: Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Author Sonia Sanchez as the First Poet Laureate of the City of Philadelphia.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
The Ayes and Nays were as follows:
Nays: 2 - Councilmembers O'Neill and O'Brien
Ayes: 15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Tasco, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney and Green
Resolution No. 120028: Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Dr. Robert R. Jennings as the Thirteenth President of Lincoln University
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
Resolution No. 120037: Resolution Honoring the African American Children's Book Project on the occasion of the 20th Annual African American Children's Book Fair.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 120038: Resolution Recognizing January as "National Human Trafficking Awareness Month" in Philadelphia.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
Resolution No. 120040: Resolution Acknowledging January 2012, as "National Mentoring Month" on their 11th Anniversary, and proclaiming January 26, 2012 as "Thank Your Mentor Day" -here in Philadelphia.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
Resolution No. 120043: Resolution Initiating action to establish a neighborhood improvement district in an area that generally includes the areas roughly bounded by: (a) York Street, Carlisle Street, Girard Avenue and 19th Street; (b) York Street, the SEPTA Regional Rail tracks, Susquehanna Avenue and Watts Street; and (c) The Diamond Green, Kardon Atlantic, University Village and Wanamaker School developments, to be known as the North Central Neighborhood Improvement District, and for which North Central Management Corporation, a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, would serve as the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association; and authorizing and directing the Committee on Rules and the Clerk of Council to take all actions that are required by the Community and Economic Improvement Act, prior to enactment of an ordinance that would formally establish the District.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
Resolution No. 120044: Resolution Recognizing Cooperatives' Contributions to Economic and Social Development during the International Year of Cooperatives.
THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.
SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBERS JONES, TASCO, PRESIDENT CLARKE, GREEN, SANCHEZ AND BROWN - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

COUNCILMEMBER JONES MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.