



Thursday, April 14, 2016

PRESENT: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Reverend Hubert Barnes of Star of hope Baptist Church was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL of the meeting of April 7, 2016.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 1517 North Thirty-third street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Charles Mellon and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract. (File No. 160321)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the West Fairhill / East Tioga Hunting Park Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 3110 North Percy Street, and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with Josefina Vazquez and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract. (File No. 160322)

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THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a resolution approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the West Fairhill/East Tioga/Hunting Park Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 809 West Tioga street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with William E. Gonzalez and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract. (File No. 160323)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

- ☐ Transmitting a bill amending Section 19-1701 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Tax Review Board” by providing a limited exception to the requirement that all hearings be public, all under certain terms and conditions. (File No. 160324)

THE COMMUNICATION WAS READ.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160305:** Resolution Honoring Kathy Black on the occasion of her retirement from AFSCME District Council 47.

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160306:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-eighth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

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☐ Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the New Kensington-Fishtown Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 1507 Frankford avenue; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with 1507 Frankford City Associates, LP and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

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

☐ **Bill No. 160299:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Ridge Avenue, Hermit Street, Henry Avenue, and Lincoln Drive.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED 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. 160308:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-eighth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

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

☐ **Bill No. 160300:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Carpenter Street, Broad Street, Washington Avenue, and 15th Street.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

☐ **Bill No. 160301:** An Ordinance Naming and designating an addition to the Marian Anderson Recreation Center, located at the corner of 17th and Fitzwater streets, "The Ryan Howard Training Center."

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

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

- 📄 **Bill No. 160302:** An Ordinance Amending Section 14-518 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “/WWA, West Washington Avenue Overlay District,” by adding additional standards and making related changes, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

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

- 📄 **Resolution No. 160309:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the West Fairhill/East Tioga/Hunting Park Urban Renewal Area, identified by house number and street address as 809 West Tioga street; and authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with William E. Gonzalez and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract.

Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Quiñones Sánchez, Reynolds Brown, Jones, Johnson, Green, Blackwell, Bass, Domb, Parker, Oh and Gym:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 160310:** Resolution Authorizing the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development to conduct hearings to examine the inclusiveness, transparency and efficiency of the City of Philadelphia's processes for the procurement of professional services, capital programs and commodities.

Councilmember Domb Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Domb, Squilla, Henon, Blackwell and Taubenberger:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 160311:** Resolution Honoring and remembering the late Ed Snider, co-founder and owner of the Philadelphia Flyers for nearly 50 years who passed away Monday, April 11, 2016 at the age of 83 after a long battle with bladder cancer.

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Councilmember Domb Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Domb, Blackwell, Gym, Squilla and Green:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160312:** Resolution Recognizing the month of April as Financial Literacy Month in the City of Philadelphia and authorizing the Joint Committees on Children and Youth and Education to hold hearings in order to discuss the issue of financial literacy amongst Philadelphia's youth and the possibility of implementing financial literacy classes in Philadelphia's public schools.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160313:** Resolution Acknowledging and recognizing the American Jewish Committee (AJC) for their Mayors United Against Anti-Semitism Initiative and commending Mayor James F. Kenney for his support of this initiative by adding his name to the list of more than 300 U.S. Mayors and Municipal Leaders from 48 states and the District of Columbia who have supported this important initiative.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 160303:** An Ordinance Amending Section 9-703 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Special Assembly Occupancies," by further providing for types of activity to be regulated and by altering the fees and requirements for a Special Assembly Occupancy license, and amending Title 4, Subcode "B" ("The Philadelphia Building Code") and Subcode "F" ("The Philadelphia Fire Code") of The Philadelphia Code, to conform a definition, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160314:** Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, to convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development, all or part of a parcel of land located in the area bounded by Buttonwood Street, North 10th Street, Hamilton Street, Ridge Avenue and North 11th Street, for further conveyance, under certain terms and conditions.

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Councilmember Squilla Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Squilla, Oh, Green and Domb:

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160315:** Resolution Calling for the installation of a City Historic Marker in front of the Quaker Meetinghouse at 4th & Arch Streets and for the dedication of this marker to occur during the Democratic National Convention, July 25 to 28, 2016, when over 400 LGBT activists from every state will be in Philadelphia.

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

- ☐ **Bill No. 160304:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Parks and Playgrounds," by adding a new section requiring that all parks or playgrounds owned or controlled by the City to be more inclusive, inter-generational and family-friendly and provide equipment and play or fitness opportunities to accommodate children and adults with special needs, all under certain terms and conditions.

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

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160316:** Resolution Commemorating the unveiling of a statue of Corporal Michael J. Crescenz, Philadelphia's only Medal of Honor Recipient of the Vietnam War, at the Philadelphia Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160317:** Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Herman Frazier for His Gold Medal Career in Track and Field and Athletic Administration.

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

- ☐ **Resolution No. 160318:** Resolution Recognizing May 2016 as Asian American and Pacific Islanders Heritage Month in Philadelphia to celebrate and commemorate the proud heritage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and their invaluable contributions to enhancing the City's culture, economy and the founding ideals of independence and democracy.

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Councilmember Oh Introduced and Ordered Placed On Next Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmembers Oh, Quiñones Sánchez and Squilla:

- 📄 **Resolution No. 160319:** Resolution Honoring and Recognizing San Mateo Carnavalero for the 10th Anniversary of the Festival del Carnaval de Puebla in Philadelphia.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

- 📄 **Bill No. 160110:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Procurement Price Preferences,” by adding a preference for alternatives to expanded polystyrene, under certain terms and conditions.

COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL SO AS TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION THIS DAY OF BILL NO. 160110.

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. 160110:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Procurement Price Preferences,” by adding a preference for alternatives to expanded polystyrene, under certain terms and conditions.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

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The following persons provided public comment on April 14, 2016:

Name and Comment Subject

Joe Danihel (160256, 160282)

See Notes of Testimony for full comment.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

Resolution No. 160282: Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to execute and deliver to the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority, without consideration, deeds conveying conditional fee simple title to certain City-owned lots or pieces of ground with the buildings and improvements thereon, situate in the Twenty-eighth Ward of the City of Philadelphia, pursuant to Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code and authorizing the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to dispose of such properties for rehabilitation and/or improvements in accordance with the terms of Chapter 16-400 of The Philadelphia Code.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160285: Resolution Also naming the 2700 block of Wharton Street “Kevin C. Hannah Way” to honor the memory of Kevin Hannah and to recognize his life and memorialize his lasting legacy.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160293: Resolution Welcoming and encouraging PayPal and other businesses that support Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex and Asexual (LGBTQIA) to relocate to Philadelphia, a City which has always been on the forefront of non-discrimination based on gender identity or sexual orientation.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Bill No. 160018-AA, as amended: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 9-800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Landlord and Tenant - Rent Control,” by requiring that tenants of certain multi-family buildings be provided with a written disclosure of the building policy on smoking in individual dwelling units, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

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Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Nays: 0

Resolution No. 160305: Resolution Honoring Kathy Black on the occasion of her retirement from AFSCME District Council 47.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160311: Resolution Honoring and remembering the late Ed Snider, co-founder and owner of the Philadelphia Flyers for nearly 50 years who passed away Monday, April 11, 2016 at the age of 83 after a long battle with bladder cancer.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY STANDING VOTE.

Resolution No. 160312: Resolution Recognizing the month of April as Financial Literacy Month in the City of Philadelphia and authorizing the Joint Committees on Children and Youth and Education to hold hearings in order to discuss the issue of financial literacy amongst Philadelphia's youth and the possibility of implementing financial literacy classes in Philadelphia's public schools.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED & REFERRED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEES ON CHILDREN & YOUTH AND EDUCATION.

Resolution No. 160313: Resolution Acknowledging and recognizing the American Jewish Committee (AJC) for their Mayors United Against Anti-Semitism Initiative and commending Mayor James F. Kenney for his support of this initiative by adding his name to the list of more than 300 U.S. Mayors and Municipal Leaders from 48 states and the District of Columbia who have supported this important initiative.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160316: Resolution Commemorating the unveiling of a statue of Corporal Michael J. Crescenz, Philadelphia's only Medal of Honor Recipient of the Vietnam War, at the Philadelphia Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160317: Resolution Recognizing and Honoring Herman Frazier for His Gold Medal Career in Track and Field and Athletic Administration.


THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 160318: Resolution Recognizing May 2016 as Asian American and Pacific Islanders Heritage Month in Philadelphia to celebrate and commemorate the proud heritage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and

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their invaluable contributions to enhancing the City's culture, economy and the founding ideals of independence and democracy.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

 **Resolution No. 160319:** Resolution Honoring and Recognizing San Mateo Carnavalero for the 10th Anniversary of the Festival del Carnaval de Puebla in Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

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


 **Bill No. 160013:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10-100 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Animals,” by providing requirements relating to the retail sale of certain animals, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Nays: 0


 **Bill No. 160202, as amended:** An Ordinance Amending Title 4 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “The Philadelphia Building Construction and Occupancy Code,” Subcode “PM” (The Philadelphia Property Maintenance Code), Chapter 3, “General Requirements,” to require inspections of certain bridges, to impose reporting, remediation, and other requirements in connection therewith; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: 0

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

 **Bill No. 160113:** An Ordinance Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Property to acquire certain land in the 30th Ward of the City of Philadelphia, located along the Schuylkill River between South Street and Christian Street,

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THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: 17 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Parker, O'Neill, Domb, Green, Greenlee, Gym, Oh, Reynolds Brown and Taubenberger

Nays: 0

SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBERS OH, TAUBENBERGER, JONES, HENON, JOHNSON, GYM, AND GREEN - (SEE NOTES OF TESTIMONY).

COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.