



City of Philadelphia

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Legislation Text

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Establishing a neighborhood improvement district in the area bounded generally by the eastern side of Tulip Street, the northern side of Allegheny Avenue, the western side of Amber Street, and the northern side of Venango Street, to be known as the Port Richmond Industrial Development Enterprise (PRIDE) Neighborhood Improvement District ("District"); designating PRIDE, Inc., a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, as the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association for the District; approving a final 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 PRIDE, Inc. relating to the District; and authorizing PRIDE, Inc. to assess property owners within the District a special property assessment fee to be used in accordance with the approved final plan; all in accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, and under certain terms and conditions

WHEREAS, Council is authorized by the Community and Economic Improvement Act ("Act") (53 P.S. §18101 et seq.) to establish by ordinance neighborhood improvement districts and to designate certain entities to administer programs and services within such districts in order "to promote and enhance more attractive and safer commercial, industrial, residential and mixed-use neighborhoods; economic growth; increased employment opportunities; and improved commercial, industrial, business districts and business climates"; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a neighborhood improvement district in the Port Richmond area, to be known as the Port Richmond Industrial Development Enterprise (PRIDE) Neighborhood Improvement District ("District"); and

WHEREAS, All procedures required by the Act for establishment of the District have been followed; in particular, more than forty-five days have elapsed from the last public hearing required by the Act and the Clerk of Council has not received objections filed by 51% or more of the affected property owners or property owners whose property valuation as assessed for taxable purposes amounts to 51% of the total property valuation within the proposed boundaries of the District; now, therefore,

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. In accordance with the provisions of the Community and Economic Improvement Act, a neighborhood improvement district is hereby established in the Port Richmond area, with the boundaries set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. The district shall be known as the Port Richmond Industrial Development Enterprise (PRIDE) Neighborhood Improvement District ("District").

SECTION 2. PRIDE, Inc., a Pennsylvania nonprofit corporation, is hereby designated as the Neighborhood Improvement District Management Association for the District.

SECTION 3. Council hereby approves as the final plan for the District the plan set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. PRIDE, Inc. is hereby authorized to assess property owners within the District a special property assessment fee in accordance with the provisions of the final plan and the provisions of the Act.

SECTION 4. The Director of Commerce, on behalf of the City, is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with PRIDE, Inc., in form approved by the City Solicitor, which agreement shall include the following provisions:

(a) A detailed description of the respective duties and responsibilities of the City and of PRIDE, Inc. with respect to the District as set forth in the final plan approved under Section 3;

(b) A requirement that the City will maintain within the District the same level of municipal programs and services that were provided within the District before its establishment;

(c) A "sunset provision" under which the agreement will terminate on