Wilmington, Delaware Louis L. Redding City/County Building May 5, 2016

# "Youth in City Government Day"

Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 p.m., President Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr. presiding along with Eduardo Amaro (Youth President).

Invocation was given by Joe Garcia.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by City Council.

## **ROLL CALL**

The following members responded to the Call of the Roll: Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Absent, Council Member Michael Brown. Total, one.

# **MINUTES**

After reading a portion of the minutes of April 21, 2016, upon a motion of Emma Cordwell (Youth At Large C), seconded by Mr. Wright and Arianna Diaz-Collazo (Youth At Large D), it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

Committee of the Whole	Present	Absent	Absent w/out
		<u>with</u>	<u>Leave</u>
		Leave	
Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha		X	
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, II		X	
Darius J. Brown	X		
Hanifa G.N. Shabazz	X		
Samuel Prado		X	
Sherry Dorsey Walker	X		
Robert A. Williams	X		
Charles M. Freel		X	
Michael A. Brown, Sr.	X		
Maria D. Cabrera	X		
Loretta Walsh		X	
Justen A. Wright	X		

President and Members of Council of The City of Wilmington

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Committee of the Whole, met on the above date at 6:00 p.m., Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr. presiding. The following items were discussed:

• An update from Wilmington Police Chief Bobby Cummings regarding the City's Public Safety Plans and the City's adherence to recommendations of the Wilmington Public Safety Strategies Commission

/s/Darius J. Brown /s/Hanifa Shabazz /s/Sherry Dorsey Walker Respectfully submitted, /s/Robert A. Williams /s/Michael A. Brown, Sr. /s/Maria D. Cabrera /s/Justen A. Wright

Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr., President

Upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by several youths, the aforementioned Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee Member	Present	Absent with Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Maria D. Cabrera		X	
Darius J. Brown	X		
Samuel Prado		X	
Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha	X		
Hanifa G.N. Shabazz	X		
Sherry Dorsey Walker		X	

President and Members of Council of The City of Wilmington

May 4, 2016

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your **Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee**, met on the above date at 5:00 p.m., Council Member Hanifa Shabazz presiding. The following item was discussed:

- 1. Discuss a Resolution supporting Congresswoman Maxine Waters' Legislation H.R.4888 Ending Homelessness Act of 2016, landmark legislation that would provide significant resources to end homelessness in America.
- 2. Discuss a Resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application by the Department of Planning and Development with the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs.
- 3. Discuss a Resolution to approve the disposition of 1043 Clifford Brown Walk, 1039 Clifford Brown Walk, 318 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, 316 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street and 314 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street to the African American Heritage Center of Delaware.

Respectfully submitted, Members of Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee

/s/Darius J. Brown /s/Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha /s/Hanifa Shabazz

Upon a motion of Ahmed Awadallah (Youth At Large B), seconded by several youths, the aforementioned Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report dated May 5, 2016 was read into the record by the City Clerk, and upon a motion of Emma Cordwell (Youth At Large C), seconded by several youths, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

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TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF WILMINGTON May 5, 2016

102	Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$	1.00
104	Old Non-Uniform Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$	3,396.81
105	Police Pension Account	M & T Bank		1,880.59
106	Fire Pension Account	M & T Bank		2,414.42
107	Evidence/Found Currency Account	M & T Bank		580,603.03
108	Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$	4,137.97
110	Capital Projects Account	M & T Bank	\$	1.00
113	Non-Uniform Pension	M & T Bank	\$	1,252.06
114	Central Deposit	M & T Bank	\$	95,046.46
117	Cement Workers	Wilmington Savings Fund	\$	33,474.96
118	Worker's Comp. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Account	M & T Bank	\$	13,003.23
124	Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990	M & T Bank	\$	4,373.65
120	Grant-In-Aid Account	M & T Bank	\$	201,369.00
130	Payroll	M & T Bank	\$	194,068.58
131	Pension Payroll Account	M & T Bank	\$	45,147.12
139	Pension Healthcare Account	M & T Bank	<u>\$</u>	103,828.32
	Total Cash on Hand		\$ 1,283,998.20	

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FUND CODE	Fund	Institution	INVEST. TYPE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	INVESTMENT AMOUNT
116	General	M&T Bank	RP	05/05/16	0.01%	\$ 2.09	\$ 7,624,800.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	05/13/16	0.45%	\$ 1,380.82	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	05/20/16	0.40%	\$ 19,945.20	\$ 10,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	05/20/16	0.41%	\$ 956.67	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	05/20/16	0.41%	\$ 717.50	\$ 1,500,000.00
106	Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	05/26/16	0.40%	\$ 805.47	\$ 2,625,000.00
124	Non-Uniform 1990	WSFS	CD	05/26/16	0.40%	\$ 128.87	\$ 420,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	05/27/16	0.40%	\$ 11,199.99	\$ 14,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	05/27/16	0.50%	\$ 1,833.34	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	06/01/16	0.55%	\$ 4,262.50	\$ 3,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	06/01/16	0.40%	\$ 1,433.34	\$ 3,000,000.00
116	General <sup>1</sup>	TD	CD	06/10/16	0.60%	\$ 21,996.05	\$ 15,169,686.00
116	General	TD	CD	06/10/16	0.43%	\$ 1,236.99	\$ 2,100,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	06/10/16	0.40%	\$ 572.60	\$ 1,375,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	06/10/16	0.40%	\$ 572.60	\$ 1,375,000.00
110	Capital	TD	CD	06/24/16	0.60%	\$ 16,333.34	\$ 10,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	06/24/16	0.40%	\$ 2,133.34	\$ 3,200,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	06/28/16	0.40%	\$ 1,033.34	\$ 1,500,000.00
514	Risk Management	WSFS	CD	07/11/16	0.40%	\$ 22,805.15	\$ 5,670,097.05
515	Worker's Comp	WSFS	CD	07/11/16	0.40%	\$ 22,805.15	\$ 5,670,097.05
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	11/18/16	0.50%	\$ 99,726.02	\$ 20,000,000.00
104	Escrow Pension	Affinity Wealth					\$ 1,425,526.00
104	Escrow Pension	Vanguard					\$ 41,175,496.00
104	Escrow Pension	Black Rock					\$ 23,639,639.00
104	Escrow Pension	Edgar Lomax			:		\$ 20,497,951.00
104	Escrow Pension	Wilmington Trust					\$ 43,430,813.00
104	Escrow Pension	Manning & Napier					\$ 10,372,327.00
104	Escrow Pension	Earnest Partners					\$ 17,638,112.00
104	Escrow Pension	GMO					\$ 11,538,789.00
104	Escrow Pension	MFS Management					\$ 21,897,165.00
104	Escrow Pension	American Funds					\$ 10,069,335.00
139	Medical Escrow	Black Rock-OPEB					\$ 14,123,662.00
116	Deferred Comp.	MassMutual					\$ 39,113,039.00
	Total Investments						\$ 369,151,534.10
	Total Cash on						\$1,283,998.20
	Hand						
	Grand Total					V Suningki City T	\$ 370,435,532.30

<sup>1</sup> Budget Reserve

/s/Henry W. Supinski, City Treasurer

# **NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Upon a motion of Emma Cordwell (Youth At Large C), seconded by several youths, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

All Council Recognize Senior Fitness Day and Tennis in the Street

All Council Welcome Youth in City Government Day

All Council Recognize Paul Calistro – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at West End Neighborhood House

All Council Sympathy Benjamin Congo, Sr.

All Council Commemorate Wilmington Police Department's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

D. Brown Recognize Frederick Purnell

D. Brown/Wright Sympathy Deacon Francis Cole

Gregory Retirement Helen C. Riley

Shabazz Recognize Provider Appreciation Day

Dorsey Walker Recognize WPD Senior Corporal Daniel Vignola

Williams Commend Charter School of Wilmington Boys Swimming Team

Wright Recognize Community Legends

Wright Recognize Reverend Dr. Vincent P. Oliver 30<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary

# The following students participated in the "Youth in City Government Day 2016":

- Eduardo Amaro, President of City Council
- Peyton Pinder, 1<sup>st</sup> District
- Alana Winder-Mosley, 2<sup>nd</sup> District
- Iniva Woody, 3<sup>rd</sup> District
- Noah Zalota, 4<sup>th</sup> District
- Ricardo Salazar, 5<sup>th</sup> District
- Jasmine Morales, 6<sup>th</sup> **District**
- Gabby Newby, 7th District
- Chelsea Garcia-Nunez, 8<sup>th</sup> District
- Arian Santos, At-Large A
- Ahmed Awadallah, **At-Large B**
- Emma Cordwell, At-Large C
- Arianna Diaz-Collazo, At-Large D
- Emery Gomez, Mayor
- Jada Phillips, Treasurer
- Stephoni Winchester Brown, City Solicitor
- Kevin Chilel-Sebastian, City Clerk
- Yianna Santiago, Chief of Staff to Mayor
- Breon Jeter, Chief of Staff to Council
- Kayla Dillion, Chief of Fire
- Taheem Bailey, Chief of Police
- Zaria Flowers, Director of Human Resources

- Spirit Clark, Director of Parks & Recreation
- Jonathan Gonzalez, Deputy Director of Parks & Recreation
- Carl Martin, Commissioner of Public Works
- James Nevels, Commissioner of Licenses & Inspections
- Mirea Vargas-Ramirez, City Auditor
- Areana Massey, Director of Real Estate & Housing
- Alannah Ames, Director of Risk Management
- Phoenix Harmon, Director of Finance
- Jaidyn Robbins, Director of Economic Development
- Aniya Robertson, Director of Constituent Services
- Daja Hack, Director of Planning
- Makayla Smith, Director of Integrated Technologies
- Ninairis Richiez-Cruz, Director of Communications & Cultural Affairs

Although students participated in the Program during the course of the day, not all were available to participate during the actual City Council meeting. The students that participated in the City Council meeting introduced themselves and the district they were representing. In addition, the parents and teachers were acknowledged for their support of the Program.

# **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

President Gregory: Mr. Chukwuocha; nothing. Mr. Congo.

Mr. Congo: Nothing tonight. Thank you.

President Gregory: Nothing. Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: Nothing tonight.

President Gregory: Nothing. Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Yes Mr. President, I have an Ordinance to present and call for the first and second reading.

Ms. Shabazz presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 16-026 (Agenda #4202) entitled:

# AN ORDINANCE TO FURTHER EXTEND CERTAIN TRAFFIC/PARKING REGULATIONS

The aforementioned Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Mr. Williams/Mr. Freel, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Public Works & Transportation Committee. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Yes Mr. President, I have another Ordinance to present and call for the first and second reading.

Ms. Shabazz presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 16-027 (Agenda #4203) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT 17004PW – BITUMINOUS CONCRETE – WITH DIAMOND MATERIALS, LLC

The aforementioned Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Mr. Williams/Mr. Freel, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Public Works & Transportation Committee. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: No legislation this evening.

Ms. Shabazz: I have more.

President Gregory: Just a minute; just a minute. I flipped two pages. Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Yes Mr. President, I have a Resolution to present on your behalf.

On behalf of President Gregory, Ms. Shabazz presented <u>Resolution No.</u> 16-033 (Agenda #4204) as follows:

WHEREAS, plans are in place to construct a new power line connecting the Artificial Island nuclear complex and the State of Delaware; and

**WHEREAS**, the new power line, which would enhance the stability of the nuclear complex, was originally estimated to cost \$137 million – a cost that has risen in recent weeks to an estimated \$272 million; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the project, which is being overseen by the Pennsylvania-based firm PJM, will be covered by Delaware's residential, commercial and industrial companies – including customers of Public Service Electric & Gas and Delmarva Power & Light; and

WHEREAS, while Delawareans will be saddled with paying 99 percent of the cost, they will reap a mere 10 percent of the benefits of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Public Service Commission has estimated that this cost could add several dollars per month to residential bills, as well as hundreds of thousands in additional payments to business and industrial customers; and

WHEREAS, Delaware Public Advocate David Bonar and Governor Jack Markell have advocated for a more equitable distribution of the costs of this project, speaking on behalf of the Delawareans who would be footing this massive bill; and

WHEREAS, while the Federal Energy Regulation Commission – in response to a complaint filed by Delaware – issued a preliminary decision in favor of Delaware in November 2015, the agency recently reversed this position in its final report; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington City Council wishes to join the voices of other Delaware leaders in opposing this proposed cost distribution, given the impact it would have on Wilmington's residents and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that the Council strongly opposes the cost distribution devised for the construction of the new power line connecting Artificial Island with Delaware, and urges project leaders and utilities to reconsider saddling Delawareans with the financial burden of a project that will, according to their own projections, do remarkably little for residents of the First State.

# On the question:

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President, this Resolution being presented by City Council for Council's review and if approved, it would oppose a decision by the Federal Energy Regulatory Agency which will allow a cost allocation formula to take place for a new power transmission line connecting Artificial Island with Delaware. The Council would be joining our Governor Markell and the State Public Service Commission in opposing the cost allocation plan for the new transmission line which require Delawareans to pay 99% of the cost of the project while only receiving only 10% of the estimated energy benefits.

President Gregory: The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Mr. Williams, the aforementioned Resolution was received, adopted as read and directed to be recorded and filed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Michael Brown.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President, I have a last Resolution to present on your behalf.

On behalf of President Gregory, Ms. Shabazz presented <u>Resolution No.</u> 16-034 (Agenda #4205) as follows:

WHEREAS, as with any urban space, parking in Wilmington is often at a premium, particularly in the City's central business district; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Parking Authority (WPA) is the only existing parking authority in Delaware; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill No. 340 would allow parking authorities in Delaware to enter into partnerships with other organizations to develop new public parking garages; and

WHEREAS, the potential for the WPA to enter into public-private partnerships could pave the way for the development of new public parking structures throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, this legislation is a critical component of broader efforts to retain present employers and attract new employers in Wilmington, as well as in efforts to develop new housing projects in under-utilized areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that the Council supports House Bill No. 340, and allowing parking authorities throughout Delaware – including the Wilmington Parking Authority – to enter into partnerships with other organizations for the development of new public parking garages.

# On the question:

Ms. Shabazz: Yes Mr. President, where am I at? This Resolution is presented by City Council for review and approval and we urge the General Assembly to pass House Bill 340, which would enable the Wilmington Parking Authority and other parking authorities in Delaware to enter into public-private partnerships to develop new parking structures. The Council would be supporting this legislation based on its positive effect on helping to retain current businesses, attracting new businesses to the City and promoting the development of new housing projects.

President Gregory: It's a very progressive piece of legislation that's being proposed in Dover. The genesis for it came from the Wilmington Parking Authority and developers here in the City of Wilmington. It helps us to address our parking needs for those residents that we're trying to get to live downtown and also addresses the business needs. Also, it allows for partners to be able to structure financial deals that make sense for businesses. We do give up some authority in this because the Housing Authority — the Parking Authority would not have to come to us for the Bond - Full Faith and Credit Bonds, the thinking is that they would enter into agreements directly with a LLC, which they can't do now or create an LLC and enter into an agreement. But, the people that sit on the Wilmington Parking Authority's Board are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Wilmington. So, we do still have a voice — a very strong voice because that Board would have to vote as to whether or not to enter into the agreement or not. So, our financial position is still protected and the policies that we think are good for the City is still protected through an administrative process that being the Board. Mr. Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: Thank you Mr. President. Just for clarity and what my understanding is, this Resolution is just in support of Dover's legislation and allowing us for municipalities not just the City of Wilmington?

President Gregory: That's correct.

Mr. Darius Brown: And, then if there's a particular project in the City of Wilmington then that – that will have to be vetted through the Parking Authority and if there's some role that Council plays in, it will come to Council floor.

President Gregory: If there's some role such as zoning, etc. but the financial relationship is something that they enter into. Mr. Freel.

Mr. Freel: But I just want to make sure I'm clear though, if – if they wanted to use the City's Full Faith and Credit...

President Gregory: They could.

Mr. Freel: ...or – or if they were going to use assets for collateral that we've already bonded and have accepted the debt for, than it would come before this body.

President Gregory: I'm not going to guess. I'm going to say...

Mr. Freel: I understand.

President Gregory: ... yes, yes, it would. If that's the way you understand it – that little – than yes. The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Mr. Williams, the aforementioned Resolution was received, adopted as read and directed to be recorded and filed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Michael Brown.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Mr. Prado.

Mr. Prado: Nothing tonight Mr. President.

President Gregory: Ms. Dorsey Walker.

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Mr. President, I have a Resolution to present.

Ms. Dorsey Walker presented <u>Resolution No. 16-035</u> (Agenda #4206) as follows:

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Maxine Waters, Ranking Member of the Committee on Financial Services, introduced H.R. 4888 – "Ending Homelessness Act of 2016", landmark legislation that would provide significant resources to end homelessness in America; and

WHEREAS, there are an estimated 600,000 Americans who are currently homeless, of whom 170,000 are unsheltered, 130,000 of whom are under the age of 18, and over 83,000 whom are chronically homeless; and

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Waters' legislation would provide \$13.27 billion in new funding over five years to several programs and initiatives that would provide access to both housing and supportive services to help the homeless achieve safe, decent, and affordable housing as well as long-term, positive life outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the measure, entitled "The Ending Homelessness Act of 2016" is intended to act as an emergency relief bill that would offer immediate funding to address homelessness in America, and which would affect those areas where homelessness has reached crisis proportions; and

WHEREAS, the bill provides funding to HUD to expand the Healthcare and Housing Systems Integration Initiative by assisting states and localities in coordinating policies among Medicaid programs, behavioral health providers, housing providers, and finance support services for homeless persons.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Council advocates this bold effort to end Homelessness in America, and further urges the United States Congress to support H.R. 4888 Bill – "Ending Homelessness Act 2016".

# On the question:

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Mr. President, as already stated Congresswoman Maxine Waters put forth this Resolution – excuse me this legislation in Congress to end homelessness and they're an estimated 600,000 Americans who are currently homeless and 170,000 are unsheltered, 130,000 of whom are under the age of 18, and over 83,000 whom are chronically homeless. So, Mr. President, we would like to put forth this Resolution if it so pleases the Council in support of Maxine – Congresswoman Maxine Waters' legislation.

President Gregory: Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: I would like to be added please.

President Gregory: So noted. Ms. - Mr. Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: Thank you Mr. President, I'd like to be added but just for clarity with this proposal, would this be competitive or formula funding?

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Formula funding.

President Gregory: Ms. uh...

Ms. Dorsey Walker: I'm sorry Mr. President.

President Gregory: ...Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Thank you Mr. President. I also - I'm glad to be a cosponsor on this legislation. We have an ever growing population of homelessness here in the City of Wilmington and I've had to tackle many instances with homeless individuals – setting up camp and even just with the site of people when their missionary efforts to come and feed the homeless how that even causes disruption in just the operation of the City. And, so, just trying to find a place for them to go – whether it's how do we support them, I'm proud to say the organization that I work for - Connections does a lot work in the help with the homeless that this – if this is passed through Congress, it would also give us the necessary resources that we need to address the homelessness. And the major thing that's so devastating about this that there's a growing population of teens and mostly woman and woman are really, really threaten with that of homelessness because if they're sleeping outside or what they have to do just get a place to sleep every night and take care of their personal needs that it's very devastating to women. And, I want to say even more that some women are with child and with children and I think that this is something that's very greatly needed and hopefully that we're in this competitive or however it comes down to the local government, that we get the monies we need to address Wilmington's issues with homelessness.

President Gregory: My only comment is I just don't believe it's just 600,000 it seems to be that there – how you get that count that's a low number...

Ms. Shabazz: They can document.

President Gregory: ...the Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Dorsey Walker, seconded by Mr. Williams, the aforementioned Resolution was received, adopted as read and directed to be recorded and filed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Michael Brown. Total, one.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Mr. Williams.

Ms. Shabazz: May I be excused?

President Gregory: Yes.

Mr. Williams: No legislation this evening, thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Freel.

Mr. Freel: Yes Mr. President, I have one Ordinance for first and second.

Mr. Freel presented and called for the first and second reading <u>Ordinance</u> <u>No. 16-028</u> (Agenda #4207) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE FOUR PARCELS OF LAND FROM C-6 (SPECIAL COMMERCIAL) TO W-4 (WATERFRONT/RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL) AND R-3 (ONE-FAMILY ROW HOUSES)

The aforementioned Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Mr. Freel, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Planning Commission and the Finance Committee. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Yes Mr. President, I have a Resolution to present.

Ms. Cabrera presented Resolution No. 16-036 (Agenda #4208) as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington is an Entitlement Community for purposes of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") regulations require a consolidated application process for funds for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA); and

**WHEREAS**, the Council desires that the City of Wilmington participate in the Consolidated Plan process of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Licenses and Inspections Committee of City Council has completed its review of the proposed Consolidated Plan, pursuant to a determination that such review should be completed prior to, and, in effect, be separate from the enactment of the City's Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Licenses and Inspections Committee and the Mayor's Office have reached a consensus with respect to specific categories of spending and the amount of funds to be allocated to each such category, as set forth in the Fiscal Year 2016 Consolidated Plan Annual Action Plan Budget (Exhibit "A"), a copy of which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Licenses and Inspections Committee and the Mayor's Office have agreed further that any substantial changes as defined in the Consolidated Plan regulations in the aforesaid categories and funding amounts will be reviewed in full by the Mayor's Office with the Housing and Licenses and Inspections Committee before implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the referenced HUD regulations require that funding applications for the above-referenced funding sources must meet the public action requirements of the Consolidated Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that Mayor Dennis P. Williams, or his designee, is hereby authorized to submit the Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Year 2016 to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, which Plan allocates \$2,077,013 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) \$191,540 for Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG); \$374,716 for HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME); \$629,494 for Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA); \$60,322 in prior years uncommitted HOPWA funds, which together will comprise a total Fiscal Year 2016 Consolidated Annual Action Plan Budget of \$3,333,085.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby endorses the specific enumeration of categories and amounts set forth in the Fiscal Year 2016 Consolidated Annual Action Plan Budget, with the Fiscal Years 2016-2020 Amendments, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and so endorses said enumeration, with the understanding that the Mayor's Office will expend funds and administer the funding program in a manner consistent with said enumeration and will review substantial changes, as defined by the Consolidated Plan regulations, in the enumeration of categories and amounts with the Housing and Licenses and Inspections Committee of City Council prior to the implementation of any such changes.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dennis P. Williams, Mayor of the City of Wilmington, is hereby authorized to execute and submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development the Consolidated Plan for Fiscal Year 2016 and he is hereby further authorized to certify to such matters as the U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may require with the application, to provide additional information as may be required, and to administer and expend such funds as are received or become available in accordance with the Consolidated Plan regulations and the regulations governing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for People With Aids (HOPWA).

### On the question:

Ms. Cabrera: Mr. President, this is a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to file the Fiscal Year 2017 Consolidated Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development including funding for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Improvement Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA).

President Gregory: The Clerk will call the roll. I'm sorry, Mr. Chukwuocha.

Mr. Chukwuocha: Thank you Mr. President. I just wanted to note that I am for clarity and for disclosure, I'm employed by one of the agencies that receiving Community Development Grant; so, I will be voting present though I am in full support of this usage of these funds.

President Gregory: Thank you. The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Cabrera, seconded by Mr. Williams/Ms. Walsh, the aforementioned Resolution was received, adopted as read and directed to be recorded and filed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Congo, Darius Brown, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, ten. Nays, none. Present, Council Member Chukwuocha. Absent, Council Members Shabazz and Michael Brown. Total, two.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Mr. President, I have a Resolution to present.

Ms. Cabrera presented Resolution No. 16-037 (Agenda #4209) as follows:

WHEREAS, by its Ordinance No. 97-051, amending Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including a requirement for Council approval by resolution and authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Planning and Development (the "Department"), seeks to obtain grant funding from the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs in the amount of \$14,096.00 to continue the City's Historic Preservation Planning Program for the Federal Fiscal Year 2016; and

WHEREAS, the said grant will provide funding to continue the City's Historic Preservation Planning Program, which has been in existence for over thirty years; and

WHEREAS, the said grant requires matching funds of a minimum of \$9,398.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposed FY2017 operating budget has appropriated funds for the Historic Preservation Planning Program in the amount of \$44,507.00; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the grant application deadline of April 29, 2016, the application for said grant was submitted to the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs in advance of Council approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the Department's application for the aforesaid grant funding from the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Planning and Development's application for grant funds from the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs in the amount of \$14,096.00, a copy of which is attached hereto, to fund the City's Historic Preservation Planning Program for the Federal Fiscal Year 2016 is hereby authorized.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Department shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept the grant funds when awarded by the Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs.

On the question:

Ms. Cabrera: This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for City Council's review and approval. If approved, Council would be authorizing the Administration through the Department of Planning, to apply for a \$14,096 grant from the State Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs to support the City's Historic Preservation Planning Program. The State grant would require a local match of at least \$9,398. In addition, the City's Historic Planning Office would be funded through a \$44,507 appropriation in the proposed FY 2017 General Operating Budget.

President Gregory: The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Cabrera, seconded by Mr. Williams/Ms. Walsh, the aforementioned Resolution was received, adopted as read and directed to be recorded and filed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, eleven. Nays, none. Absent, Council Members Shabazz and Michael Brown. Total, two.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: Yes.

President Gregory: Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: No legislation tonight Mr. President.

Note: There were no petitions and communications this evening.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Mr. Wright, seconded by Ms. Dorsey Walker/Mr. Williams, Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Maribel Seijo, City Clerk