

*Wilmington, Delaware
Louis L. Redding
City/County Building
August 20, 2015*

Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 p.m., President Theopolis K. Gregory, Sr. presiding.

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, Prado*, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Michael Brown, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Absent, Council Member Shabazz. Total, one.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of July 9, 2015, upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Williams, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

<u>Education, Youth & Families Committee Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent with Leave</u>	<u>Absent w/out Leave</u>
Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha	X		
Michael A. Brown Sr.			
Maria D. Cabrera			
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, II			
Hanifa G.N. Shabazz	X		
Sherry Dorsey Walker	X		

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

July 8, 2015

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Education, Youth & Families Committee, to who was referred Ordinance No. 15-029 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO RENAME THE LOT LOCATED ON THE
500 BLOCK OF MADISON STREET PRESENTLY KNOWN AS
“MADISON STREET TOT-LOT” TO “FRAULINE M. TROTTER
PLAZA”

Have given this Ordinance careful study and recommend Council vote on
it accordingly.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Education, Youth & Families Committee
/s/Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha, Chair
Excused – Michael A. Brown, Sr.
Excused – Maria D. Cabrera
Excused – Ernest “Trippi” Congo, II
/s/Hanifa Shabazz
/s/Sherry Dorsey Walker
/s/Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr., Ex Officio

Upon a motion of Mr. Chukwuocha, seconded by Ms. Walsh/Mr. Freel,
the aforementioned Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The following Treasurer’s Report dated August 20, 2015 was read into
the record by the City Clerk and upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Freel; the
Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

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TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF WILMINGTON August 20, 2015

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	\$ 2,824.90
106	Fire Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 1,330.65
107	Evidence/Found Currency Account	M & T Bank	\$ 481,573.53
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	\$ 1,431.94
114	Central Deposit	M & T Bank	\$ 125,924.97
117	Cement Workers	Wilmington Savings Fund	\$ 33,447.62
118	Worker's Comp. 3 rd Party Account	M & T Bank	\$ 13,003.23
124	Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990	M & T Bank	\$ 4,347.06
130	Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 285,935.16
131	Pension Payroll Account	M & T Bank	\$ 29,358.47
139	Pension Healthcare Account	M & T Bank	\$ <u>344.96</u>
	Total Cash on Hand		\$ 987,059.27

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FUND CODE	FUND	INSTITUTION	INVEST. TYPE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	INVESTMENT AMOUNT
116	General	M&T Bank	RP	08/20/15	0.01%	\$ 1.61	\$ 5,865,046.00
110	Capital ²	TD	CD	08/21/15	0.25%	\$ 1,192.07	\$ 1,540,195.00
116	General	TD	CD	08/21/15	0.25%	\$ 390.41	\$ 1,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	08/21/15	0.25%	\$ 383.57	\$ 1,000,000.00
116	General ¹	TD	CD	08/21/15	0.25%	\$ 4,631.55	\$ 13,003,965.00
116	General ¹	TD	CD	08/24/15	0.25%	\$ 616.44	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	08/24/15	0.25%	\$ 359.59	\$ 1,500,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	08/28/15	0.25%	\$ 143.84	\$ 1,000,000.00
124	Non-Uniform 1990	WSFS	CD	08/28/15	0.30%	\$ 334.10	\$ 1,355,000.00
106	Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	08/28/15	0.30%	\$ 362.46	\$ 1,470,000.00
105	Police Pension	WSFS	CD	08/28/15	0.30%	\$ 246.57	\$ 1,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	09/18/15	0.30%	\$ 953.42	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	09/22/15	0.30%	\$ 13,606.52	\$ 19,476,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	09/25/15	0.25%	\$ 402.74	\$ 1,200,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	09/30/15	0.25%	\$ 482.88	\$ 1,500,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	09/30/15	0.30%	\$ 811.23	\$ 2,100,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/02/15	0.30%	\$ 739.72	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	10/16/15	0.25%	\$ 794.52	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/30/15	0.30%	\$ 2,071.23	\$ 3,500,000.00
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
104	Escrow Pension	Affinity Wealth					\$ 1,473,108.00
104	Escrow Pension	Vanguard					\$ 43,042,052.00
104	Escrow Pension	Black Rock					\$ 24,444,661.00
104	Escrow Pension	Edgar Lomax					\$ 22,015,795.00
104	Escrow Pension	Wilmington Trust					\$ 44,193,893.00
104	Escrow Pension	Manning & Napier					\$ 10,682,241.00
104	Escrow Pension	Earnest Partners					\$ 18,093,843.00
104	Escrow Pension	GMO					\$ 11,884,182.00
104	Escrow Pension	MFS Management					\$ 22,744,703.00
104	Escrow Pension	American Funds					\$ 11,117,823.00
139	Medical Escrow	Black Rock-OPEB					\$ 14,078,685.00
116	Deferred Comp.	MassMutual					\$ 40,032,183.00
	Total Investments						\$ 339,653,569.10
	Total Cash on Hand						\$ 987,059.27
	Grand Total						\$ 340,640,628.37

¹ Budget Reserve

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/s/Henry W. Supinski
City Treasurer

**Note: At this time, Mr. Prado was marked present and reflected herein in the minutes (Roll Call).*

NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Freel/Mr. Williams, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

All Council	Best wishes Apostle Thomas W. Weeks, Sr.
All Council	Sympathy Dr. Donell Lee Guy, Sr.
All Council	Commend Norfolk State University Alumni Association
All Council	Fond Farewell Yesenia Taveras
D. Brown	Sympathy Mother Rosie Areta Sudler Ashley
D. Brown	Sympathy Dorothy Bertha Jenkins Walters
D. Brown	Sympathy Deborah Ann Tiller
Cabrera/Council	Sympathy Twylah L. Johnson-Blackwell
Congo	Salute Reverend Herbert J. Owens, Sr.
Gregory	Salute Allan Charles Rusten
Gregory	Sympathy James Darryl Rodgers
Gregory	Salute Overseer Emma Loretta Creamer
Gregory	Sympathy Mary Louise Johnson Clark
Gregory	Sympathy Rosalie Ann Reason
Gregory	Recognize Gilbert Jackson, III; Richard Johnson; Mike Miller and the late John Triplett
Gregory	Sympathy Evangelist Murlean M. Morgan
Gregory	Sympathy Larry S. Jenkins, Sr.
Dorsey Walker	Sympathy Rena M. Bostick Brooks
Dorsey Walker	Sympathy Olivia Beatrice Johnson
Wright	Commend William James Harrison, III

***Note: At this time, Mr. Congo was marked present and reflected herein in the minutes (Roll Call).*

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

President Gregory: Mr. Chukwuocha.

Mr. Chukwuocha: Yes Mr. President, I have an Ordinance to present and call for the third and final reading.

Mr. Chukwuocha presented and called for the third and final reading Ordinance No. 15-029 (Agenda #4075) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO RENAME THE LOT LOCATED ON THE
500 BLOCK OF MADISON STREET PRESENTLY KNOWN AS
“MADISON STREET TOT-LOT” TO “FRAULINE M. TROTTER
PLAZA”

On the question:

Mr. Chukwuocha: Yes Mr. President, as stated, this will be renaming the Tot-Lot across from the William “Hicks” Anderson Community Center in the 5th Street Tot-Lot after Ms. Frauline M. Trotter. As we all know, who was a long time City of Wilmington employee who labored for many years right there across the street and then what was known as the West Center City Community Center and working along with my father and Ms. Chambers and that tandem and truly did great things in that community before and after the riots and there testament truly stands and it’s great to have a tribute to my father and also to Ms. Chambers but I think it’s more than appropriately fitting for that other person and the other that helped to have the community center there; to have the park, Ms. Trotter to be recognized and I think this is a fitting way and myself having been in that community now for the past four (4) summers. Her presence is there; it’s still the heart of that community but the work that she invested in that community she’s a true mother of West Center City and this tribute is very fitting as a young social worker in the youth service field. I remember plenty of days going into the West Center City Community Center and she was a mother; a mother to all and just that her true compassion; her true just commitment to service. You know, it’s something that I try to carry with me every day and as the one gentleman mentioned, if we all got up and did something about it, you know, she was that person; she was getting up and doing something about it. And, you look at West Center City today and a lot of the havoc and chaos occurring in those streets, you know, I could only imagine, you know, if she was the social worker twenty (20) years ago, what, what – how it would be in that community today. So, I think this, again, is a fitting recognition for Ms. Trotter and I would humbly ask all of my colleagues to support and help pass this ordinance.

President Gregory: Thank you. Mr. Brown.

Mr. Michael Brown: Yes Mr. President, I first want to ask that I’d be added to this – for Ms. Trotter worked...

Mrs. Seijo: So noted.

Mr. Michael Brown: ...with me when I was Executive Director for four (4) years at William “Hicks” Anderson Community Center and she worked with me when I was Youth Intervention Specialist; the group that you formed back in 1996. One of things you said to me and I remember it well, is to go seek out Ms. Trotter and her assistant Ms. Fields over in West Center City. Nothing went in West Center City Mr. President unless you came saw Ms. Frauline Trotter and Mercedes Fields. And, nothing; not an elected official, not a candidate, not nothing went through West Center City

without sitting and talking with Ms. Frauline Trotter. And so, it gives me pleasure to know that this park, hopefully we get the votes to name that park after Ms. Trotter, for it is worthy to be done. And, I'm so humbled and honored to be a part of - - to my vote that I would say yes to this because it means a lot just to have the joy to know that she can smell these roses while she's still alive. Thank you Mr. President.

President Gregory: Thank you. Ms. Dorsey Walker.

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Thank you Mr. President. I really don't see a need to reiterate what Councilman Brown and Councilman Chukwuocha just stated; so, I'd just like to be added because it's all true. I just like to be added.

President Gregory: So noted. Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: I'd like to be added.

President Gregory: So noted. Ms. Maria Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Yes I would like to be added and I do recall my time when I was with the City working with Ms. Frauline Trotter in a lot of the special events. It seems like she would be one of those people that would come forward and work with us when we needed volunteers and just doing things in the community and out and about and I'm glad she's getting her roses while she's alive; yes.

President Gregory: Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: Thank you Mr. President. I also would like to be added. I just want to tell one thing very quickly. The first time I was a candidate I was going door to door over West Center City and there were people (inaudible) and stopped me and asked me basically what the hell I was doing over there and I told them door to door and they told me I hadn't paid the toll yet. And, I said, what are you talking about, I haven't paid the toll yet. What toll? And he said, I understand you haven't gone over to see Frauline Trotter yet and so I would advise you as a young pup to go over and let her know what you're up to over here, which I did and we became pals after that. So, yes, her influence was felt for a whole long time and very wide throughout the West Center City community.

President Gregory: Mr. Williams. Thank you.

Mr. Williams: Thank you Mr. President, I just had a quick story about Ms. Trotter. She got me in a little bit of trouble when I was a young rookie police officer walking the beat over there in West Center City. I made the mistake of stopping in her office and saying Ms. Trotter around Thanksgiving I said if you have any families that are in need that would like to have a turkey, we're having a turkey giveaway this Friday,

have them come out to the Police Department. After the thirtieth person was served and there were more to follow, we had to make another trip out to get more turkeys and more supplies because Ms. Trotter made sure that her community was taken care of because we had busloads of persons coming in to receive goods. She knew every family in that neighborhood; she knew every family's economic status; she knows exactly what they needed and she made sure she feed our community that day. I'd like to be added as a co-sponsor.

President Gregory: Thank you. Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: Co-sponsor.

President Gregory: So noted; so noted. The Clerk will call the roll please.

Upon a motion of Mr. Chukwuocha, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the aforementioned Ordinance was read for the third and final time and was adopted by title and section recurring to the Enacting Clause and was passed by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Chukwuocha, Congo, Darius Brown, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Michael Brown, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Shabazz. Total, one.

President Gregory: Ok; before we move on...

Mr. Williams: Declare it.

President Gregory: ...declare it adopted. We want to recognize Mr. Richard Johnson who was one of the honorees who was mentioned in the presentation who has arrived. He was stuck on 95... (applause)...thank you; thank you very much for coming. That's fine; thank you. Your mom did you well. And, we want to recognize Boy Scout Troop 29. We had a good conversation out there. Mr. Congo.

Mr. Congo: Nothing tonight. Thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: Yes Mr. President, I have an Ordinance to present and call for first and second reading.

Mr. Darius Brown presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 15-032 (Agenda #4084) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF A
PORTION OF TODDS LANE FROM THE OFFICIAL
CITY MAP

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

President Gregory: Mr. Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: Yes, I'm going to **hold** #4085. Thank you.

President Gregory: Ms. Shabazz.

Mr. Chukwuocha: Yes Mr. President, I have an Ordinance to present on behalf of Councilwoman Shabazz and I call for the first and second reading.

On behalf of Ms. Shabazz, Mr. Chukwuocha presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 15-033 (Agenda #4086) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT 16003PW –
JANITORIAL SERVICES AT THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
WITH ACS JANITORIAL SERVICE, INC.

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

President Gregory: Mr. Prado.

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

Mr. Prado presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 15-034 (Agenda #4087) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT 16012LI –
VACANT PROPERTY SERVICES WITH R & A
CONTRACTORS, LLC

The aforementioned Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Mr. Prado, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: Ms. Dorsey Walker.

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Nothing tonight Mr. President. Thank you.

President Gregory: Thank you. Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Thank you Mr. President, no legislation this evening.

President Gregory: Mr. Freel.

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

Mr. Freel presented Resolution No. 15-042 (Agenda #4088) as follows:

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 230, An Act Making Appropriations for Certain Grants-in-Aid for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016; Specifying Certain Procedures, Conditions and Limitations for the Expenditure of Such Funds, Amending the Fiscal Year 2016 Appropriations Act (the "Act"), was passed by the Delaware General Assembly on July 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires all Grant-in-Aid ("GIA") funds to be kept in a separate bank account and not be commingled with any other funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-351 of the Wilmington City Code, M&T Bank has been designated as the City's active depository through June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the City Treasurer to establish a separate bank account at M & T Bank in order to comply with the Act's requirements regarding administration of GIA funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the City Treasurer, Henry W. Supinski, is hereby authorized to open a separate bank account at the M & T Bank for purposes of administering GIA funds appropriated to the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that M & T Bank is authorized to honor signature of Henry W. Supinski or Lisa M. Partlow on all disbursements from the above account.

On the question:

Mr. Freel: Yes Mr. President, the last General Assembly session the legislators passed the law stating that municipalities need to have a separate bank account to handle any funds coming through Grant-in-Aid so they weren't commingle with other funds and this authorizes our City Treasurer to set-up an account to do that.

President Gregory: The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Mr. Freel, seconded by Ms. Walsh/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, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Michael Brown, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Shabazz. Total, one.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Mr. Freel presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 15-035 (Agenda #4089) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE
CITY CODE IN ORDER TO APPLY THE CORRECT
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS TO
INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDITS

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 Finance Committee. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: Mr. Michael Brown.

Mr. Michael Brown: Thank you Mr. President but nothing tonight. I really appreciate it.

President Gregory: Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Nothing this evening sir.

President Gregory: Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: Mr. President, I have a Resolution and an Ordinance for intro.

Ms. Walsh presented Resolution No. 15-043 (Agenda #4090) as follows:

WHEREAS, by its Ordinance No. 97-051, amending Section 2-363 of the City Code, the City 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 City Council approval by resolution and including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to City Council's resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through its Department of Economic Development and Small and Minority Business Enterprise Office, has been awarded a grant from the United States Small Business Administration (SBA), in the amount of \$50,000 for the SBA's 'Startup In A Day' program, a copy of the SBA Grant award notice is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, the ‘Startup In A Day’ program is designed to support entrepreneurs starting a business by helping reduce the amount of time it takes to register and apply for permits and licenses on a local level; and

WHEREAS, the SBA’s ‘Startup In A Day’ program does not require matching funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the Department of Economic Development and the Small and Minority Business Enterprise Office to accept the aforesaid grant from the SBA through execution of a grant agreement and any other documents necessary for the implementation of the grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Economic Development and the Small and Minority Business Enterprise Office are hereby authorized to accept the \$50,000 in grant funding from the SBA’s ‘Startup In A Day’ Grant Program to support the City’s entrepreneurs by reducing the amount of time it takes to register and apply for permits and licenses on a local level. A copy of the ‘Startup In A Day’ Grant award notice is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”. The Director of Economic Development or his appointee is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement and any other documents necessary for the implementation of the grant.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Economic Development and the Small and Minority Business Enterprise Office shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to administer the grant and the grant program for the City of Wilmington.

On the question:

Ms. Walsh: Mr. President, this is a \$50,000 grant that the City of Wilmington is – has been chosen to receive. I don’t know if everybody on this floor caught about Entrepreneur...am I on?

President Gregory: You are.

Ms. Walsh: Entrepreneur Magazine named Wilmington one of the three best cities, small cities, in the United States for starting a business – an entrepreneur business (inaudible). It’s always nice when you do get – make the top 10 of good list and...so, anyway, this is a grant that’s been given for \$50,000. What it’s going to do put together a program whereby an entrepreneur would be able to startup a business preferable online within a day. If this can be pulled off, I’d be the first one delivering roses and I’m sure everybody else would be standing behind me, you know, giving a whole lot of applause to this actually being able to happen. So, I wish them the very best of luck, L&I and our Economic Development meeting have signed a pledge, the Directors, stating that they would do everything possible for this to happen; so, the best of luck to them.

President Gregory: Thank you. Ms. Dorsey Walker.

Ms. Dorsey Walker: Thank you Mr. President. If the sponsor of the legislation wouldn't mind me being a co-sponsor, I would love to be. I'm a small business owner and this could be a great opportunity for someone who's getting started with their business.

President Gregory: So noted. Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Yeah, I too would like to be added. I think it's an important move for the City since a lot of the critique that I hear is about, you know, when people are trying to start a business that it's just so confusing of the barrage of paperwork and the fact that you have to go to multiple floors just with one visit just trying to get things done because you have to sign-off here before you can do this before you can go there. It should not be that complicated for us to welcome businesses into the City. So, this is a great move and I would be standing in line with you if they could pull this off.

President Gregory: Thank you. Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. Darius Brown: I'd like to be added; thank you.

President Gregory: So noted. Actually, I thought Ms. Walsh was talking about starting up a business with roses... (laughter) ...and I'm totally in agreement with this. I just think that I talk about twin's family changing government – moving from 1969 when we got our charter to 2016 – going through this process of streamlining and making things easier to do for everybody – all of our various constituencies. So, I'm very much in favor of this. The Clerk will call the roll.

Upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, 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, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, Michael Brown, Cabrera, Walsh and Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Shabazz. Total, one.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Ms. Walsh: Before we go to my Ordinance I do have to say that I'd start a business for roses when we get rid of all the thorns in this town.

(laughter)....

President Gregory: That was good.

Ms. Walsh: Okay.

President Gregory: Normally you're quicker than that.

Ms. Walsh: I didn't want to interrupt you.

President Gregory: Oh okay.

Ms. Walsh: So, it was always there.

President Gregory: All right.

Ms. Walsh presented and called for the first and second reading Ordinance No. 15-036 (Agenda #4091) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 40 OF THE
CITY CODE REGARDING PAID VACATION AND
FLOATING DAYS OF MERIT EMPLOYEES AND
APPOINTED AND ELECTED OFFICIALS

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

President Gregory: Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: No legislation tonight sir.

President Gregory: Thank you; petitions and communications.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members announced committee meetings/civic association meetings and community events throughout their districts. Council Members spoke on the following: safety as it relates to school buses as school is back in session; concerns expressed about the high number of shootings and the need to get assistance from the County and State and adding more police on the streets; a request to Public Safety Chair to check into cell phones for police; those who participated in neighborhood cleanups were thanked; The Pope's visit to Philly and how it could be great for the City; Troop 29 Boys Scout were welcomed; comments of Ms. Frauline Trotter and how she started many programs in the City; it was duly noted that the Department of Public Works posted the signs of tractor/trucks etc parking in the City and Public Works, Finance and Police Departments were thanked for working together on this issue; comments of the quarterly meetings of the Committee of the Whole and how it's based around the Wilmington Public Safety Commission Report; Department of Licenses & Inspections and the Police Department were thanked for cleaning up the corner of 8th & Monroe Street as there had

been a lot of drug trafficking because of its proximity to 95 and the need for the residents to get involved in order to get our neighborhoods back; Community Day behind Washington Street and the dunking tank; 7th & Washington Group meeting which will be discussing the Commission Report that is noted as Ground Zero for crime in our City; a lot of problems in the West Center City area; and including but not limited to Ms. Pridgen, Ms. Owens and Mrs. Seijo were thanked for their assistance with the scholarship program as well as former President Theodore Blunt for being the keynote speaker and Mayor Williams for his assistance with the scholarship program.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Williams, Council adjourned at 7:47 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Attest: Maribel Seijo
Maribel Seijo, City Clerk