

*Louis L. Redding
City/County Building
February 7, 2013*

Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 p.m., President Theopalis 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, D. Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, M. Brown, Cabrera, Walsh, Wright and Council President Gregory. Total, thirteen.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of January 17, 2013, upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Freel, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report dated February 7, 2013 was read into the record by the City Clerk, and upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Williams/Ms. Shabazz, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF WILMINGTON February 7, 2013

102	Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
104	Old Non-Uniform Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 1,072.22
105	Police Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 2,944.71
106	Fire Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 2,911.23
107	Evidence/Found Currency Account	M & T Bank	\$ 64,865.36
108	Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$ 4,137.97
110	Capital Projects Account	M & T Bank	\$ 213,145.55
113	Non-Uniform Pension	M & T Bank	\$ 18,291.70
114	Central Deposit	M & T Bank	\$ 41,505.69
117	Cement Workers	Wilmington Savings Fund	\$ 33,328.12
118	Worker's Comp. 3 rd Party Account	M & T Bank	\$ 10,610.13
124	Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990	M & T Bank	\$ 3,395.67
130	Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 210,292.54
131	Pension Payroll Account	M & T Bank	\$ 37,980.20
139	Pension Healthcare Account	M & T Bank	\$ <u>39,383.67</u>
	Total Cash on Hand		\$ 683,865.76

FUND CODE	FUND	INSTITUTION	INVEST. TYPE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	INVESTMENT AMOUNT
116	General	M&T Bank	RP	02/07/13	0.25%	\$ 55.11	\$ 8,045,492.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	02/08/13	0.30%	\$ 821.92	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	02/08/13	0.30%	\$ 1,124.38	\$ 1,900,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	02/22/13	0.30%	\$ 690.41	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital ²	TD	CD	02/22/13	0.25%	\$ 161.12	\$ 840,107.57
110	Capital ³	TD	CD	02/25/13	0.25%	\$ 791.20	\$ 1,540,195.00
106	Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	02/28/13	0.30%	\$ 43.73	\$ 190,000.00
124	Non-Uniform 1990	WSFS	CD	02/28/13	0.30%	\$ 975.78	\$ 4,240,000.00
105	Police Pension	WSFS	CD	02/28/13	0.30%	\$ 131.18	\$ 570,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	03/08/13	0.30%	\$ 690.41	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	03/22/13	0.30%	\$ 871.23	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	04/04/13	0.30%	\$ 1,134.24	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	04/17/13	0.30%	\$ 6,164.38	\$ 10,000,000.00
116	General ⁴	TD	CD	04/18/13	0.25%	\$ 6,852.72	\$ 14,292,802.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	05/01/13	0.30%	\$ 18,105.53	\$ 24,464,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	06/03/13	0.30%	\$ 5,301.36	\$ 5,000,000.00
514	Risk Management	WSFS	CD	07/11/13	0.50%	\$ 7,564.25	\$ 1,512,851.52
515	Worker's Comp.	WSFS	CD	07/11/13	0.50%	\$ 7,564.25	\$ 1,512,851.52
104	Escrow Pension	Affinity Wealth					\$ 1,000,000.00
104	Escrow Pension	Vanguard					\$ 16,630,655.00
104	Escrow Pension	Merrill Lynch					\$ 50,125,465.00
104	Escrow Pension	Edgar Lomax					\$ 23,848,954.00
104	Escrow Pension	Wilmington Trust					\$ 30,997,615.00
104	Escrow Pension	Manning & Napier					\$ 22,021,355.00
104	Escrow Pension	Earnest Partners					\$ 10,595,119.00
104	Escrow Pension	GMO					\$ 10,131,903.00
139	Medical Escrow	Merrill Lynch					\$ 9,197,388.00
116	The Hartford	Deferred Comp.					\$ 32,410,523.00
	Total Investments						\$ 291,067,276.61
	Total Cash on Hand						\$ 683,865.76
	Grand Total						\$ 291,751,142.37

¹ Budget Reserve ² Lincoln Towers BAN ³ SEU

/s/Henry W. Supinski, City Treasurer

NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

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

All Council	Recognize the 1973 Howard High School Basketball Champions
D. Brown	Recognize the Wilmington One Million Hearts Coalition
D. Brown	Sympathy Kenneth "Kenny" Monroe, Jr.
M. Brown	Sympathy Wilhelmena "Missy" Holmes
M. Brown	Sympathy Deacon Arnold Lee Williams
Chukwuocha	Sympathy Judge Murray M. Schwartz
Shabazz	Congratulate Central Baptist Church – 70 Years of Service
Walsh	Commemorate and Recognize The Late Wilmington Police Officer Charles W. Schultz
Wright	Congratulate Pastor James Odell White and Mother Ernestine White – 50 th Wedding Anniversary
Wright	Congratulate Delaware State Police Superintendent Nathaniel McQueen, Jr.
Wright	Congratulate the 5 th Grade Wilmington Soldiers Football National Champions

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

President Gregory: Legislative business, Mr. Chukwuocha.

Mr. Chukwuocha: None tonight Mr. President. Thank you Sir.

President Gregory: Mr. Congo.

Mr. Congo: Nothing tonight Mr. President. Thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes Mr. President. I have a Resolution to present.

Mr. D. Brown presented Resolution No. 13-009 as follows:

WHEREAS, the 106th Session of Wilmington City Council recognizes Small businesses are not only the engine of our economy, but they are also the backbone of many local communities; and

WHEREAS, Wilmington City Council believes the Small Business Administration (SBA), Historically Underserved Business Zones (HUBZone) Program improves the quality of life for millions of Americans by helping breathe new life into areas that have historically struggled to compete economically; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Congress passed the Small Business Administration Reauthorization Act (Public Law 105-135), which included provisions designed to promote economic development and employment opportunities in metropolitan or rural areas with low income, high poverty rates, and/or high unemployment rates. Title VI of the Act established the Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone) program to target federal contracts to small businesses that are located in these areas; and

WHEREAS, a SBA HUBZone is defined as and must meet the eligibility criteria as follows:

- Must be a small business by SBA standards;
- Must be owned and controlled at least 51% by U.S. citizens, or a Community Development Corporation, an agricultural cooperative, or an Indian tribe;
- Principal office must be located within a “Historically Underutilized Business Zone,” which includes lands considered “Indian Country” and military facilities closed by the Base Realignment and Closure Act; and
- At least 35% of its employees must reside in a HUBZone; and

WHEREAS, the Historically Underserved Business Zones (HUBZone) Program helps small businesses in urban and rural communities gain preferential access to federal procurement opportunities. These preferences go to small businesses that obtain HUBZone certification. The program encourages economic development in historically underutilized business zones; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the 106th Session of Wilmington City Council supports the – SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA), HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED BUSINESS ZONES (HUBZONE) PROGRAM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wilmington City Council encourages United States Small Business Administration certified companies to locate in designated HUBZones within the City of Wilmington.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes, Mr. President. The SBA HUBZone, the HUBZone is a federal program run by the United States Small Business Administration. HUBZone is an acronym for the Historically Underutilized Business Zones. Provided to Council members is a map of the SBA-identified HUB zones within the City of Wilmington. With the success of the previous Administration and the previous work in the 105th Session of Council and in this session, the 106th Session of Council, the 3rd District will be the first district in the city to have a HUBZone company moving into the city. I believe that this program is a great federal program to support economic development in urban centers, and this Resolution is simply encouraging this to be utilized in the future within the city to bring more businesses to the city of Wilmington. The HUBZone program, in its effort to work in and revitalized urban centers, the program also incentivizes employers by, with a 10 percent preferential point system on their application to the SBA. And also with that, these businesses commit to making sure that their employees, 35 percent of their employees, reside from the HUB Zone areas

Mr. Prado: Mr. President?

President Gregory: Mr. Prado.

Mr. Prado: Thank you. I thought the legislation was good, but I did have a question though. Looking at some of the neighborhoods, there are some businesses that we don't want to see more of in Wilmington and, you know, there's, for example, in the Hill we have way too many liquor stores and Chinese restaurants and, and places that, unfortunately, can sometimes be a magnet for, for trouble. So, I just want to know in this, in this program, is that, has taken into account or it's just any business or, or certain businesses that they encourage and some that they don't. I don't know if the sponsor knew . . .

President Gregory: Mr. Brown?

Mr. D. Brown: Yes, Mr. President, the SBA HUBZone program is a federal-certified contractor program. So, these businesses are not Chinese stores or liquor stores; these are small businesses that contract with the Federal Government to provide certain services to the Federal Government.

Mr. Prado: Oh, okay.

President Gregory: Anyone else?

Ms. Walsh: I, I did.

President Gregory: Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: I just think that, that one thing that the sponsor failed to say is, also, Council Member Brown, that there's some pretty heavy tax credits to these investors, too, so this is a wonderful program for districts to get involved in, and I think it's, it's really fabulous that Council Member Brown's district is going to be the first one because it certainly does need quite a bit of help.

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

Upon a motion of Mr. D. Brown, seconded by Ms. Walsh/Mr. Freel, the above 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, D. Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, M. Brown, Cabrera, Walsh, Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, thirteen.

President Gregory: Anything else Mr. Brown?

Mr. D. Brown: Nothing else tonight Mr. President.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Mrs. Seijo: Thank you.

President Gregory: Ms. Shabazz.

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Ms. Walsh, Council dissolved into the Committee of the Whole for purpose of holding a public hearing. Motion prevailed.

PUBLIC HEARING
AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING DESIGN REVIEW
AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION (SUB. 1 TO ORD. 12-060)

The City Clerk read the Affidavit of Publication. Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the Affidavit of Publication was made a part of the record and is on file in the City Clerk's Office. Motion prevailed.

The City Clerk read the Planning Commission Report. Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the Planning Commission Report was made a part of the record and is on file in the City Clerk's Office. Motion prevailed.

President Gregory: I want the Planning Department representative to come forth with their report at this point in time.

Department of Planning Representative:

Good evening, Mr. Council President and Council Members. Thank you for letting me speak this evening. I will give you about 90 seconds worth of background on this particular matter and that will, hopefully, move it along. In August of 2012, liberal concerns had been expressed regarding the membership of boards and commissions in general in the City, and the Law Department contacted the Planning Department – specifically, regarding the Design Review and Preservation Commission – asking whether there was any duplication of membership of our members on other boards, and at that time, we did have one member who was also sitting on the New Castle County Historic Review Board. Law deemed this dual service violated the provision that was set forth under the current City Code – Section 48-145 – which regards the composition of DRPC specifically, to wit: “The Commission consists of seven members, one ex officio member of the City Planning Commission or his designee, and six persons who shall hold no other public office, but shall have backgrounds . . .,” and then it enumerates the backgrounds. And it was because of the phrasing “shall hold no other public office” that Law determined there was a problem. Because we did not wish to lose the particular person who sat on both boards, because of his expertise, we made an attempt to rectify the situation by a simple modification of the language, to wit: “The Commission consists of seven members, one ex officio member of the City Planning Commission or his designee, and six persons, five of whom shall hold no other public office.” And we thought this would be adequate to resolve the problem. We took this to, before the Planning Commission in October and the Planning Commission embraced this solution; however, when we ran the same language past the Design Review and

Preservation Commission, suddenly one of the other members said, "But what about me?" because he was serving as an appointee of the Governor on the State Board of Architects, so we realized this was a problem. DRPC tabled it at their meeting and requested that Planning and Law put their heads together again and come up with something different.

The Law Department did further research and chose to borrow an example from the city of Philadelphia and change the wording in our Code by eliminating the phrase "shall hold no other public office," and instead, substituting the phrase "shall not be a City officer or employee." The presumption was that this would take care of any concerns of potential conflicts of interest. Additionally, after conversations with the Planning Department, it was acknowledged that there might be times when, because of the small pools of expertise in various fields due to the size of our state and our city population where it might be necessary to call upon a City employee or City officer to provide the Code-mandated expertise in a certain matter. Examples of this instance might be the need for archaeologists or for a federally-certified architectural historian, both of which we have on the Planning Department staff. Most everyone within any of the professional fields in Delaware knows you've been tapped for service on at least one board or commission at one time or another and volunteer service on two or more boards is not an unusual thing. Accordingly, with these considerations Staff went back and produced the following change in wording to Section 48-415, hopefully as a solution to the matter, so that it now, what is before you, reads: "The Commission consists of seven members, one ex officio member of the City Planning Commission or his alternate, and six persons, four of whom shall not be a City officer or City employee, but who shall have backgrounds in any or all of architectural planning, urban design, real estate, construction, environmental systems, history, fine arts, or any other pertinent disciplines." And we hope that this language will give us the sufficient regulation that we need without being too onerous and without leaving out potential candidates. Thank you.

President Gregory: Since we're establishing a record, could you give us your name and the position that you hold with the City, please?

Ms. Maley: Yes sir, I apologize. I'm Patricia Maley, and I'm the Senior Planner for Design and Review and I'm also the DRPC Commission Coordinator.

President Gregory: Thank you very much. At this time we're going to entertain speakers for or against this particular Ordinance. At this time only go for, if there's anyone for and then we'll go with anyone who's against it. Mr. Davis.

FOR/AGAINST

Mr. Davis: Yes, good evening. My name is Dwight L. Davis and I would like to speak against this particular Resolution, and the reason that I'm speaking against this Resolution is because I believe that the City's boards and commissions, there're various conflicts of interest and not only conflicts of interest where you're serving on other State, County or local municipality's boards, but where you serve on non-profit organization boards, which are developers and those that are pursuing these types of, of, of changes in the development of the city, and the - - I spoke to a member of one of the

other design and review, I think it's the historical board, and the laws that you make here impact the citizens. So I think that there, that, that the City should develop citizen boards where it's the citizens, not elected officials, not appointed officials, but entirely made up of citizens and I've said this several times as it pertains to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, which is made up, I know we're speaking to this particular Ordinance but, Resolution, but the Zoning Board of Adjustment, where it's the City elected and/or appointed individuals that sit on this, this Board. Now, I've come before Council and I suggested that the State statute permits a five-person citizen board where there are no undue, unduly influences. For an example, if, you know, the Administration decides that they want something to, you know, to, to pass, then you have people that are your subordinates there that will make it pass. But if there are citizens only, the State is, is a good example of that, the Public Service Commission. These are public service boards and commissions and I just think that only citizens should be seated on these boards and I'm sure that we can find citizens without conflicts of interest that have the necessary backgrounds and expertise to fill these positions. Thank you.

President Gregory: Is anyone else for? Is there anyone against? Ms. Shabazz, you want to offer a comment at this time or wait 'til we return to the regular order of business?

Ms. Shabazz: I can wait 'til then.

President Gregory: Okay. At this time we'll entertain that motion.

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Ms. Walsh, Council returned to Regular Order of Business. Motion prevailed.

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Ms. Shabazz presented the following committee report:

<u>Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent with Leave</u>	<u>Absent w/out Leave</u>
Samuel Prado	x		
Darius J. Brown	x		
Maria D. Cabrera		x	
Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha	x		
Hanifa G.N. Shabazz	x		
Sherry Dorsey Walker	x		
Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr.			

February 6, 2013

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee, to who was referred
Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 12-060 entitled:

AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING THE
COMPOSITION OF THE DESIGN REVIEW AND PRESERVATION
COMMISSION

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Housing, Licenses & Inspections Committee
/s/Samuel Prado
/s/Darius J. Brown
/s/Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha
/s/Hanifa Shabazz
/s/Sherry Dorsey Walker

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

President Gregory: Are there any findings?

Mrs. Seijo: No, at this time. Thank you.

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

Ms. Shabazz presented and called for the third and final reading Ordinance
No. 12-060 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CITY
CODE REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE DESIGN
REVIEW AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Mr. President, I have a **Substitute** to present in lieu of that Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 48 OF THE CITY
CODE REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE DESIGN
REVIEW AND PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President, this Substitute Ordinance amends Chapter 48 of the Wilmington City Code by removing the restrictions that none of the six appointed members of the Design Review and Preservation Commission shall hold other public office and adding the restriction that four of the appointed members shall not be an officer or employee of the City of Wilmington. Mr. President, I think with the amendment that we have made I think we are ensuring that the members of this Commission are not employees of the City of Wilmington or hold a public office and therefore they are our, just general citizens that serve on this Preservation Board. We know that Wilmington is a very small organization, I mean, a small city, and a lot, a cross-pollination in population of organizations happen all the time and if we want us to get the kind of expertise we need this sometimes happens, but I think this amendment, by ensuring that they, four of those members are not City of Wilmington officers or employees of the City, you have strong representations of professional citizens with the expertise that's necessary to run this Commission.

President Gregory: Any other comments?

Mr. M. Brown: I do.

President Gregory: Mr. Brown.

Mr. M. Brown: I, I want to ask a question if I may. If you went, if you went to four, if you went to four, thank you, sir, why didn't you just go ahead and say all of them? That's a question.

Ms. Shabazz: Oh, why didn't they say all of them?

President Gregory: Mr. Brown.

Mr. M. Brown: Mr. President, yeah, that's the question.

President Gregory: That's the question.

Ms. Shabazz: Well, I understand, again, I think my, my point of making that of how small Wilmington is, in trying to get the kind of expertise with all the areas that we said, then it should, be sure that we have been able to identify individuals that fit the criteria that we need that we gave a little lead way, so, everybody, going down to at least four; one of them an ex officio member and then at least two members that possibly could fall into that category, and, but the majority of the individuals on this Board are those who fit into that category. I'd also like to make sure that it's also noted that these individuals are appointed by the Mayor.

Mr. M. Brown: That's where I'm, Mr. President, that's where I'm kind of, I'm kind of stuck between a rock and hard place... (technical issues) ...we, we have to, that's where I'm kind of stuck between a rock and a hard place, Mr. President. We, we have to... (technical issues) ... apologize. We, we, as I look at this and, and, and I, I

heard what the speaker who came up said, and, and I know what the legislation is saying, what this is saying. But, but, you can go ahead and call the roll because I'm not going to get anywhere with it, I'm not going to try to hold the floor up on it, try to put my point out there, so . . .

President Gregory: Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: I, I think a point is also for all those boards and commissions cause, I was getting really scared when Dwight was speaking cause I was agreeing with him but not about this Board, about ZBA and Planning Commission, and, but I think if you had one person who knows something about the City, then to keep the city, the hearings moving then there is some history as to how things work on these boards and commissions.

President Gregory: In my opinion Mr. Davis's argument or position had merit, but unfortunately, and I guess fortunately in some ways, we live in a small city in a small county in a small state, and as indicated there is cross-pollination with respect to boards and commissions. We do our best to put a wall and not to have those conflicts but transparency tends to cure or fix those problems. So I, I think it's a good Ordinance, we have to move forward, we do, you do need people on boards and commissions that do have expertise and sometimes that expertise is, it can't be found everywhere and everybody doesn't want to volunteer, cause these are volunteer efforts. So, I think that while your argument, Mr. Davis, has merit, I think that there's some complex, some compelling reasons why we should move forward. Ms., Ms., Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: Thank you Mr. President. I, I think also it should be noted for the viewing audience and those that may be here that I believe, if I don't stand to be corrected, that Mayor Baker selected these individuals and not Mayor Williams. So, there's been a transition as far as our Administration, so if there was tie to the previous Administration it doesn't necessarily mean that it's with the current.

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

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Ms. Walsh, the above aforementioned Substitute 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, D. Brown, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, M. Brown, Cabrera, Walsh, Wright, and Council President Gregory. Total, thirteen.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Ms. Shabazz: 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. 13-002 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 37 OF THE CITY
CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 37-226, AS AMENDED,
TO ENACT CERTAIN TRAFFIC AND PARKING
REGULATIONS CONCERNING SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL
PARKING DISTRICTS IN AND AROUND JUSTISON
LANDING

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

Ms. Shabazz: That's all for tonight.

President Gregory: Mr. Prado.

Mr. Prado: No legislation Mr. President. Thank you.

President Gregory: Dorsey Walker

Ms. Dorsey Walker: No legislation Mr. President.

President Gregory: Ms. Dorsey Walker, my apologize.

Ms. Dorsey Walker: It's okay Mr. President.

President Gregory: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: No legislation tonight.

President Gregory: Mr. Freel.

Mr. Freel: Nothing, thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Michael Brown.

Mr. M. Brown: Yes Mr. President, nothing tonight. Thank you.

President Gregory: Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Nothing this evening.

President Gregory: Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Walsh: Not this evening. Thanks.

President Gregory: Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: Nothing tonight. Thank you.

President Gregory: Okay and we're going to go to our petitions and communications at this time.

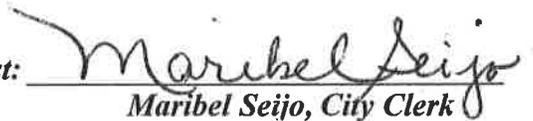
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Council Members announced committee and civic meetings, community events, and also expressed birthday wishes and condolences to families in their district. In addition, condolences were expressed to the family of Barry Hester Scott (city employee). Council Members spoke of the crime issues going on throughout the city. In addition, Council Members expressed their appreciations to all the men and women in the Wilmington Police Department who put their lives on the line every single day and commended them for all the work they do. With that said, Council Members expressed their thoughts, prayers and get well wishes to Officer Justin Wilkers who was shot in the line of duty.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Ms. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Freel, Council adjourned at 8:11 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Attest:


Maribel Seijo, City Clerk