

*Wilmington, Delaware
Louis L. Redding
City/County Building
October 18, 2018*

Council met in regular session on the above date at 6:30 p.m., President Hanifa Shabazz presiding.

The opening prayer was done by Andrea Queen, Deputy Clerk.

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*, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Absent with leave, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of October 4, 2018, upon a motion of Council Member Chukwuocha, seconded by Council Member Freel, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

<u>Public Works & Transportation Committee Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent with Leave</u>	<u>Absent w/out Leave</u>
Va'Shun "Vash" Turner, Chair	X		
Ciro Adams, Vice-Chair	X		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, II	X		
Michelle Harlee	X		
Zanthia Oliver	X		
Loretta Walsh		X	
Dr. Hanifa Shabazz, Ex-Officio		X	

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

October 15, 2018

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Public Works & Transportation Committee, to who was referred
Ordinance No. 18-047 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CERTAIN TRAFFIC/PARKING
REGULATIONS

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Public Works & Transportation Committee
/s/Va'Shun "Vash" Turner, Chair
/s/Ciro E. Adams, Vice-Chair
/s/Ernest "Trippi" Congo, II
/s/Michelle Harlee
/s/Zanthia Oliver

Upon a motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Members Freel and
Dixon, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report as of October 18, 2018, was read into the
record by City Clerk and upon a motion of Council Member Chukwuocha, seconded by
Council Members Freel and Dixon, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion
prevailed.

Note: The Treasurer's Report is included herein as an insert from Page 3 to Page 4.

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City of Wilmington
Delaware

Velda Jones-Potter
City Treasurer

Louis L. Redding City/County Building
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City of Wilmington Treasurer's Report
as of October 18, 2018

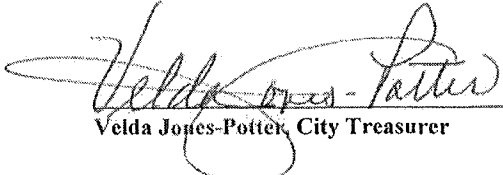
Cash on Hand:

General Account	M & T Bank	\$8,907,339.97
Central Deposit	M & T Bank	\$53,494.77
Payroll	M & T Bank	\$4,193,654.00
Total Petty Cash Accounts	M & T Bank	\$12,100.97
Grant-In-Aid	M & T Bank	\$221,993.87
Evidence/Found Currency Account	M & T Bank	\$843,942.27
Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$4,137.97
Capital Projects Account	M & T Bank	\$1.00
Cement Workers Escrow	WSFS Bank	\$33,596.38
Police Department Discretionary	M & T Bank	\$17,435.16
Pension Payroll Account	M & T Bank	\$68,441.45
Old Non-Uniform Pension Account -Plan 1	M & T Bank	\$1,592.81
Non-Uniform Pension-Plan 2	M & T Bank	\$1,023.79
Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990-Plan 3	M & T Bank	\$370,304.37
Police Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$427,854.50
Fire Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$80,861.71
Worker's Comp 3rd Party Account	M & T Bank	\$25,000.00
Retiree Healthcare Account	M & T Bank	\$440,728.03
SubTotal		\$15,703,503.02
Total Cash on Hand		\$15,703,503.02

INVESTMENTS OCTOBER 18, 2018:

Fund	Institution	Invest. Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
GENERAL FUND:						
General	WSFS	CD	10/18/2018	2.00%	\$5,589.04	\$2,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	10/25/2018	2.00%	\$11,123.29	\$3,500,000.00
General	TD	CD	10/30/2018	2.00%	\$28,000.00	\$8,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	11/8/2018	1.95%	\$8,471.82	\$2,517,066.26
General	WSFS	CD	11/15/2018	1.95%	\$11,058.90	\$3,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	11/20/2018	1.95%	\$15,813.70	\$4,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	11/28/2018	1.95%	\$17,523.29	\$4,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	11/28/2018	2.20%	\$10,126.03	\$3,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	12/6/2018	2.20%	\$11,572.60	\$3,000,000.00
General	WSFS	CD	12/13/2018	2.20%	\$13,290.41	\$3,500,000.00
General ¹	TD	CD	9/27/2018	2.01%	\$92,678.58	\$15,689,029.00
SUB-TOTAL:						\$52,206,095.26
CAPITAL FUND:						
Capital	TD	CD	11/28/2018	2.02%	\$91,990.80	\$25,077,000.00
Capital	WSFS	CD	9/6/2018	2.10%	\$3,242.76	\$1,707,947.06
SUB-TOTAL:						\$26,784,947.06
RISK MGMT:						
Risk Management	TD	CD	7/1/2019	2.41%	\$142,446.10	\$8,059,939.96
Worker's Comp	TD	CD	7/1/2019	2.41%	\$142,446.01	\$8,059,939.96
Retiree Medical Escrow	Vanguard-OPEB					\$21,610,669.00
SUB-TOTAL:						\$37,730,548.92
PENSION FUND:						
Non-Uniform 1990	WSFS	CD	10/29/2018	1.96%	\$8,940.01	\$5,045,000.00
Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	10/29/2018	1.96%	\$1,807.49	\$1,020,000.00
Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	11/28/2018	2.10%	\$2,675.34	\$930,000.00
Escrow Pension	Edgar Lomax					\$22,544,418.00
Escrow Pension	Vanguard Fixed					\$38,839,314.00
Escrow Pension	Earnest Partners					\$24,016,240.00
Escrow Pension	Wilmington Trust					\$37,311,438.00
Escrow Pension	Vanguard Stock Index					\$41,872,263.00
Escrow Pension	Artisan Global					\$8,614,631.00
Escrow Pension	Dodge & Cox					\$11,280,958.00
Escrow Pension	Fidelity					\$19,077,048.00
Escrow Pension	Harding Loevner					\$8,758,662.00
Escrow Pension	MFS Management					\$23,601,283.00
Escrow Pension	Clarion Lyon					\$5,896,366.00
SUB-TOTAL:						\$248,807,621.00
OTHER:						
Deferred Comp.	MassMutual					\$47,419,461.57
Port Debt	M&T					\$2,606,194.00
Total Investments						\$415,554,867.81
Total Cash on Hand						\$15,703,503.02
Grand Total						\$431,258,370.83

¹ Budget Reserve


 Velda Jones-Potter, City Treasurer

NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Council Member Freel, seconded by Council Members Turner and Dixon, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

All Council	Recognize October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Dixon	Recognize International WeLoveU Foundation
Dixon	Recognize Lights on Afterschool Project
Oliver	Sympathy Gregory Laws
Oliver	Recognize The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows
Shabazz	Recognize Delaware Military Cadets
Shabazz	Sympathy Dennis Savage
Turner	Recognize Bill "Doc B" Ransom
Turner	Recognize Oliver "O.P." Patterson

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

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

President Shabazz: Council Member Chukwuocha.

Council Member Chukwuocha: Yes, Madam President, I have a Resolution to present.

Council Member Chukwuocha presented Resolution No. 18-070 (Agenda #4583) as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to 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 authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation submitted a grant application to the State of Delaware in the amount of \$645,102.79 to fund the Child and Adult Care Food Program (the "Food Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation intends to use the grant money to fund the Food Program, which provides aid to child and adult care institutions and family or group day care homes for the provision of nutritious foods that contribute to the wellness, healthy growth, and development of young children, and the health and wellness of older adults and chronically impaired disabled persons; and

WHEREAS, the City is not required to provide matching funds for receipt of these grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the State of Delaware in the amount of \$645,102.79 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation or his designee are hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to apply for and accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There is no negative fiscal impact to the City by accepting this grant. The Resolution approves a grant application to the State of Delaware for \$645,102.79 with no matching funds requirement.

Upon a motion of Council Member Chukwuocha, seconded by Council Member Williams, the above Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Council Member Chukwuocha spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Shabazz: Clerk will call the roll.

The 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted. Council Member Congo.

Council Member Congo: Nothing tonight Madam President, thank you.

President Shabazz: Council Member Oliver.

Council Member Oliver: Yes, Madam President. Madam President, I have an ordinance to present on your behalf and call for the third reading.

President Shabazz: Resolution.

Council Member Oliver presented Resolution No. 18-071 (Agenda #4584) as follows:

WHEREAS, according to the Delaware Department of Education, there are currently 138,371 students attending elementary, middle and high schools across the state of Delaware – 57% of whom attend school in New Castle County. During the 2016-2017 academic year, the DOE reported a total of 1,978 alleged bullying incidents – 557 of which were found to be substantiated incidents of bullying; and

WHEREAS, Bullying is defined in the Delaware State Code as any intentional, written, electronic, verbal, or physical act or actions that a reasonable person under the circumstances should know will have the effect of:

- (1) Placing a student, school volunteer or school employee in reasonable fear of substantial harm to his or her emotional or physical well-being or substantial damages to his or her property; or
- (2) Creating a hostile, threatening, humiliating or abusive educational environment due to the pervasiveness or persistence of actions or due to a power differential between the bully and the target; or
- (3) Interfering with a student having a safe school environment that is necessary to facilitate educational performance, opportunities, or benefits; or
- (4) Perpetuating bullying by inciting, soliciting, or coercing an individual or group to demean, dehumanize, embarrass or cause emotional, psychological or physical harm to another student, school volunteer, or school employee; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have defined bullying as any unwanted aggressive behavior(s) by another youth or group of youths who are not siblings or current dating partners that involves an observed or perceived power imbalance and is repeated multiple times or is highly likely to be repeated. Bullying can inflict harm or distress, including physical, psychological, social, or educational harm; and

WHEREAS, bullying has been found to have many negative consequences for children in schools. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Stop Bullying website, bullying can lead to depression, anxiety, feelings of loneliness or sadness, changes in eating or sleeping behaviors, loss of interest, health concerns, and decreased academic achievement – not to mention potentially contributing to other factors which might lead to suicidal thoughts or violent behavior. Additionally, 5.4 million students skip school at some point in the year due to bullying, according to STOMP Out Bullying; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware General Assembly passed anti-bullying legislation outlined in Title 14, Chapter 41 of the Delaware Code, in 2012 to mandate school crime reporting, school bullying prevention and criminal youth gang detection training, and child safety awareness, prevention, and other nonacademic trainings. The law also mandates that each school district establish an anti-bullying policy for schools to share with students and personnel and requires the Department of Education to prepare annual reports of reported and substantiated bullying incidents; and

WHEREAS, Delaware's Attorney General issued Anti-Bullying Reports in 2014 and 2015 to evaluate implementation of the State laws, explain reports issued by the Department of Education, and offer recommendations for further implementation; and

WHEREAS, October is recognized as National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month, with the goal of encouraging communities to work together to stop bullying and cyberbullying by increasing awareness of the prevalence and impact of bullying

on children of all ages. Schools, students, teachers, and the community are encouraged to participate in educational and awareness activities to encourage bullying prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that Council declares its support of all students, residents and visitors to Wilmington by promoting the recognition of October as National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month. Further, Council respectfully encourages the Delaware Attorney General to issue an updated Anti-Bullying Report to assess implementation of State anti-bullying legislation, and to take stock of conditions in Delaware schools in the most recent school year.

Upon a motion of Council Member Oliver, seconded by Council Members Williams and Dixon, the above Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Council Member Oliver spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Shabazz: Clerk will call the roll.

The 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted. Council Member Harlee.

Council Member Harlee: Yes, Council President, I have an Ordinance to present and call for the third and final reading.

Council Member Harlee presented and called for the third and final reading Ordinance No. 18-047 (Agenda #4582) entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT CERTAIN TRAFFIC/
PARKING REGULATIONS**

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Williams, the above Ordinance was before the Council for its consideration.

Council Member Harlee: Madam President, I would like to make a motion on the floor amendment at this time as such: On Page 1, Section 1, regarding the installation of "All-Way Stop" signs, we need to strike the word "north" and add the word "*south*" before the phrase Orange Street so that the text now reads: "Water Street and South Orange Street".

Council Member Freel: Second.

Council Member Harlee spoke on the purpose of the Ordinance as amended.

The Ordinance, **As Amended**, 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted. Council Member Turner.

Council Member Turner: Thank you Madam President. I have a Resolution to present.

Council Member Turner presented Resolution No. 18-072 (Agenda #4585) as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wilmington Charter Section 8-205, the City may sell or exchange any real estate belonging to the City or grant any license, easement, right-of-way, or other interest over or in such real estate with authority by general ordinance and later resolution from Council to do so; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 2-626 provides that the Department of Public Works shall have the authority to grant licenses, easements, and/or rights-of-way as shall be necessary for the construction, installation, maintenance, repair, operation, and inspection of utilities, subject to the approval of City Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2006, City Council passed a resolution approving a license agreement (the "License Agreement") between the City and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon") which permitted Verizon to install and operate communications antennas and related equipment on and about the City's water tower (the "Tower") located at or near 1651 Foulk Road, Wilmington, Delaware, sometimes referred to as the Foulk Road standpipe; and

WHEREAS, the License Agreement is set to expire in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the License Agreement (a copy of the amendment, in substantial form, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A") to: 1) permit Verizon to add three (3) additional panel antennas to its existing antenna arrays on the Tower; 2) increase the license fee payable by Verizon to the City under the License Agreement by \$200.00 per month from \$3,431.33 per month to \$3,631.33 per month (which is an increase of \$2,400.00 per year from \$41,175.96 per year to \$43,575.96 per year); and 3) provide Verizon with an option to renew the License Agreement for four (4) additional terms of five (5) years after the current expiration date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Council hereby authorizes and approves the "First Amendment to License Agreement" between the City of Wilmington and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless ("Verizon"), a copy of which, in substantial form, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and the Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute as many copies of said "First Amendment to License Agreement" as may be necessary.

Upon a motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Members Freel and Williams, the above Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Council Member Turner spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Shabazz: Clerk will call the roll.

The 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted.

Council Member Turner: Thank you. Madam President, I have a Resolution to present.

Council Member Turner presented Resolution No. 18-073 (Agenda #4586) as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wilmington Charter Section 8-205, the City may sell or exchange any real estate belonging to the City or grant any license, easement, right-of-way, or other interest over or in such real estate with authority by general ordinance and later resolution from Council to do so; and

WHEREAS, City Code Section 2-626 provides that the Department of Public Works shall have the authority to grant licenses, easements, and/or rights-of-way as shall be necessary for the construction, installation, maintenance, repair, operation, and inspection of utilities, subject to the approval of City Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2015, City Council passed a resolution approving a construction and utility easement agreement (the "Agreement") between the City and New Castle County (the "County") that provided the County with certain construction and utility easements over and across that certain portion of City-owned land known as Bringhurst Woods Park, having an address of 0 Washington Boulevard, Wilmington, Delaware (being Tax Parcel ID No. 06-122.00-017), in connection with the County's construction, operation, and maintenance of a new sanitary sewer line across said land (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the County ran into certain rock in the construction of the sanitary sewer line, which necessitates an alteration to certain easements contained in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a new construction and utility easement agreement that enables the County to circumvent the rock and complete the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Council hereby authorizes and approves the granting of certain construction and utility easements over and across that certain portion of land known as Bringhurst Woods Park, having an address of 0 Washington Boulevard, Wilmington, Delaware (being Tax Parcel ID No. 06-122.00-017), in accordance with the "Construction and Utility Easement Agreement" between the City of Wilmington and New Castle County, a copy of which, in substantial form, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the Department of Public Works to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the granting of such construction and utility easements in connection with New Castle County's construction, operation, and maintenance of a new sanitary sewer line over and across Bringhurst Woods Park.

Upon a motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Members Williams and Dixon, the above Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Council Member Turner spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Shabazz: Clerk will call the roll.

The 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted.

Council Member Turner: Madam President, that's all I have tonight.

President Shabazz: Thank you sir. Council Member McCoy.

Council Member McCoy: Nothing tonight Madam President.

President Shabazz: Thank you. Council Member Williams.

Council Member Williams: Thank you Madam President, no legislation this evening. Thank you.

President Shabazz: Council Member Freel.

Council Member Freel: Madam President, I have one Resolution.

Council Member Freel presented Resolution No. 18-074 (Agenda #4587) as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wilm. C. (Charter) §1-101, the City may acquire, hold, manage, and dispose of property on such terms as it deems proper for any municipal purpose; and

WHEREAS, Wilm. C. §2-621(a) authorizes the Department of Real Estate and Housing to conduct disposition proceedings of real property owned by the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wilm. C. §2-621(c) non-profit organizations are exempt from the City's bid procedures and that upon the declaration of a property as

approved for disposition, by resolution of City Council, the Department of Real Estate and Housing may lease property owned by the City to a non-profit organization; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington (“City”) is the owner of that certain real property commonly known as Baynard Stadium, located at 1 Stadium Drive, Wilmington, Delaware, being part of Tax Parcel No. 26-014.10-006 located in Brandywine park (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the City has not managed the Property since 1969 and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (“DNREC”) has managed the Property since 1998; and

WHEREAS, in recent years DNREC has operated the Property at loss of approximately \$100,000 per year plus the cost of capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Property is in need of several million dollars of capital improvements and the needed capital funds are not available from the State of Delaware, New Castle County, or the City of Wilmington; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2017 the Mayor formed the Baynard Stadium Working Group to examine options for the future use and vitality of the Property, and the group studied the historic use, reviewed the related financials, and held public meetings; and

WHEREAS, based on the Baynard Stadium Working Group’s report, the Mayor sought letters of interest from organizations interested in entering into a public-private partnership to preserve and reinvigorate the Property; and

WHEREAS, Salesianum School Inc. (“Salesianum”), a nonprofit organization, was the only organization that expressed an interest in entering into a public private partnership for the Property; and

WHEREAS, Salesianum is well positioned to assume the management and maintenance responsibilities for the Property because it is adjacent to the property, it has been educating students in the City for 115 years and Salesianum has enjoyed a storied history with the Property since at least 1956; and

WHEREAS the City and Salesianum have negotiated the proposed lease attached hereto and made a part hereof in Exhibit A to ensure unprecedented public access to and enjoyment of the field and to ensure the long-term vitality of this important City property; and

WHEREAS the lease requires Salesianum to make necessary capital improvements at its expense, maintain the property at its expense, and provide increased public access as prescribed, and it permits Salesianum to offer naming opportunities to raise funding, license the property to third parties for a fee, and enter into utility easements as needed for the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the City of Wilmington Office of the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the attached Agreement with Salesianum to allow the lease of the Property subject to the terms and conditions stated in the agreement and the appropriate officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all such actions, and to execute, deliver, file and record all such documents publish all notices, and otherwise carry out the intent of this Resolution and Lease in the name of and on behalf of the City.

Upon a motion of Council Member Freel, seconded by Council Member Williams, the above Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. For full

disclosure, Council Member Freel stated that he's a graduate of Salesianum High School and he spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

Council Member Chukwuocha and Council Member Harlee made some comments.

Council Member Harlee asked for a communication to be read into the record.

The City Clerk read the following communication:

October 18, 2018

Wilmington City Council
Louis L. Redding City/County Building
Attn: President Hanifa Shabazz
800 N. French Street, 9th floor
Wilmington, DE 19801

Via: Email
(hshabazz@wilmingtonde.gov)
(nchukwuocha@wilmingtonde.gov)
(mhharlee@wilmingtonde.gov)

Dear President Shabazz, Councilpersons Harlee and Chukwuocha:

I write in support of the Baynard Stadium and Eden Park enhancement and renovation projects. Decades ago I had the opportunity to participate in reviving the City's Millard A. Naylor Youth Football League. At that time, we were challenged to gain access to athletic fields. With that, we struggled for years, until we were able to renovate P.S. DuPont Athletic Field, and retrofit the barren and unkept land that now occupies the athletic field at Eden Park. The Field was riddled with sexual and drug paraphernalia. Now, the field is one of the most utilized athletic fields for both youth and adult football and soccer in New Castle County. With this, there is wear and tear on the field resulting in there being little to no grass on much of the field. And, in fact, the field's center is simply a muddy mess in bad weather. With that, an all-weather field and an upgrade of the lights etc. shall serve the city well. The dream is finally coming to fruition. Let me personally thank the three (3) of you for keeping this effort moving forward.

Also, as I recall there was an effort to name the field at one time. May I respectfully suggest the naming of the field The Millard A. Naylor Athletic Field. Mr. Naylor was the first, and long time, Howard High School Football Coach.

Finally, the renovation and enhancements at Baynard Stadium shall be an enhancement to our community. On behalf of youth sports in particular, I thank Salesianum, the City and State for the leadership in entering into this Public and Private Partnership. While Salesianum has undertaken a dominant management role, I am certain that with their commitment to the community at large and the terms and conditions of the agreement, access to the stadium will continue at its current, if not higher level.

As always, respectfully I remain.
/s/Theopalis K. Gregory, Sr.

Cc: Tracy Owens (towens@wilmingtonde.gov)

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Freel, the communication was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee noted one of the main points the above letter is reflecting is that Mr. Theopalis Gregory would like to suggest the naming of the field, "The Millard A. Naylor Athletic Field because Mr. Naylor was the first and longtime Howard High School football coach.

Council Member Williams, Council Member Turner, Council Member Oliver, Council Member Guy, Council Member Adams, and Council Member Congo made some comments. Council Member Freel made some additional comments.

President Shabazz: Clerk will call the roll.

The 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, Oliver, Harlee, Turner, McCoy, Williams, Freel, Adams, Dixon and Guy, and Council President Shabazz. Total, twelve. Nays, none. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

President Shabazz: Declare it adopted.

Council Member Freel: That's all I have. Thank you.

President Shabazz: Thank you. Council Member Adams. Anything tonight?

Council Member Adams: No legislation tonight.

President Shabazz: Council Member Dixon.

Council Member Dixon: None tonight Madam President.

President Shabazz: Council Member Guy.

Council Member Guy: Nothing tonight Madam President.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members announced community events/activities and civic association meetings throughout their districts. In addition, the following was mentioned: Herb White (Arborist) was thanked for taking care of trees; the upcoming Halloween holiday, folks were reminded to be cautious when driving as kids will be out; and including but not limited to the 107th session of Council was thanked for coming together and working collectively together as a body.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Council Member Turner, seconded by Council Members Freel and Williams, Council adjourned at 7:35 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Attest: Maribel Seijo
Maribel Seijo, City Clerk