

*Louis L. Redding
City/County Building
October 3, 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, and Wright*, and Council President Gregory. Total, thirteen.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of September 19, 2013 *as amended*, upon a motion of Mr. Freel, seconded by Mr. Williams, it was moved they be accepted as amended and written. Motion prevailed.

Note: During the approval of minutes of the previous meeting (i.e. Sept. 19th referenced above herein) correction is hereby noted as amended and reflected in the minutes for Resolution No. 13-054 (approved Sept. 19th Council meeting) that although the tally of the vote was stated 12 Yeas and 1 Absent, let the record reflect that Councilman Michael Brown was inadvertently not called but is duly noted as being present at the meeting during the time of the vote for the aforementioned Resolution.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Ms. Shabazz presented 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>
Hanifa G.N. Shabazz, Chair	X		
Michael A. Brown, Sr.	X		
Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha	X		
Samuel Prado		X	
Robert A. Williams	X		

September 18, 2013

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Public Works & Transportation Committee, to who was referred
Ordinance No. 13-028 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE CITY CONTRACT 13080PWPS -
INTELLIGENT SINGLE-SPACE PARKING METER TECHNOLOGY
WITH DUNCAN PARKING TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Public Works & Transportation Committee
/s/Hanifa Shabazz, Chair
/s/Michael A. Brown, Sr.
/s/Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha
/a/Robert A. Williams

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

Mr. Williams presented the following committee report:

<u>Health, Aging & Disabilities Committee Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent with Leave</u>	<u>Absent w/out Leave</u>
Robert A. Williams	X		
Darius J. Brown		X	
Charles M. "Bud" Freel			X
Sherry Dorsey Walker	X		
Justen A. Wright	X		

September 25, 2013

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Health, Aging & Disabilities Committee, met on the above date at
5:00 p.m., Chairman Robert A. Williams presiding. The following items were discussed:

- A Presentation on the Health Insurance Marketplace in Delaware "choose Health website" by the Division of Health and Social Services

- A presentation on Delaware 1st State Senior Task Force by Carolyn Peak
- A presentation on Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (Pain management) by the Division of Health and Social Services

Respectfully submitted, Members of
 Health, Aging & Disabilities Committee
 /s/Robert A. Williams, Chair
 /s/Sherry Dorsey Walker

Note: Although Councilman Wright was present at the committee meeting, his signature was inadvertently missed and therefore not reflected above. In addition, the items referenced in the aforementioned committee report did not require to be voted out of committee.

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

Mr. Freel presented the following committee report:

<u>Committee of the Whole</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent with Leave</u>	<u>Absent w/out Leave</u>
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		

September 30, 2013

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 5:00 p.m., Theopolis K. Gregory, Sr. presiding. The following items were discussed:

- Discuss and Review Council's Inquiry for City Special Events for the Weekend of September 14, 2013:
 1. Fox Tail Fest
 2. Hispanic Festival
 3. Other Special Events

/s/Nnamdi O. Chukwuocha
 /s/Darius J. Brown
 /s/Hanifa Shabazz
 /s/Samuel Prado
 /s/Sherry Dorsey Walker

Respectfully submitted,
 /s/Charles M. Freel
 /s/Michael A. Brown, Sr.
 /s/Maria D. Cabrera

/s/Theopalis K. Gregory, President

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

Note: Although all Members of Council were present at the committee meeting except Councilman Williams, signatures were inadvertently missed for Council Members Congo, Walsh and Wright and therefore not reflected above. In addition, the items referenced in the aforementioned committee report did not require to be voted out of committee.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report dated October 3, 2013 was read into the record by the City Clerk, and upon a motion of Mr. Freel, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF WILMINGTON October 3, 2013

102	Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
104	Old Non-Uniform Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 1,527.81
105	Police Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 2,866.05
106	Fire Pension Account	M & T Bank	\$ 2,520.24
107	Evidence/Found Currency Account	M & T Bank	\$ 144,571.70
108	Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$ 4,137.97
110	Capital Projects Account	M & T Bank	\$ 2,739.42
113	Non-Uniform Pension	M & T Bank	\$ 1,291.70
114	Central Deposit	M & T Bank	\$ 33,713.14
117	Cement Workers	Wilmington Savings	\$ 33,359.20
118	Worker's Comp. 3 rd Party Account	Fund	\$ 13,003.24
124	Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990	M & T Bank	\$ 22,874.95
130	Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 162,709.15
131	Pension Payroll Account	M & T Bank	\$ 116,715.84
139	Pension Healthcare Account	M & T Bank	\$ 924.66
	Total Cash on Hand	M & T Bank	\$ 542,956.07

FUND CODE	FUND	INSTITUTION	INVEST. TYPE	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	INVESTMENT AMOUNT
116	General	M&T Bank	RP	10/03/13	0.01%	\$ 2.10	\$ 7,634,299.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/04/13	0.30%	\$ 1,150.68	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General ¹	TD	CD	10/07/13	0.25%	\$ 5,974.37	\$ 14,537,615.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/18/13	0.30%	\$ 1,265.75	\$ 2,200,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/18/13	0.30%	\$ 437.26	\$ 1,900,000.00
105	Police Pension	WSFS	CD	10/29/13	0.30%	\$ 88.11	\$ 335,000.00
106	Fire Pension	WSFS	CD	10/29/13	0.30%	\$ 449.75	\$ 1,710,000.00
124	Non-Uniform 1990	WSFS	CD	10/29/13	0.30%	\$ 1,375.56	\$ 5,230,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	10/31/13	0.30%	\$ 1,767.12	\$ 2,500,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	11/01/13	0.30%	\$ 1,380.82	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital ²	TD	CD	11/01/13	0.25%	\$ 57.70	\$ 240,678.75
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	11/07/13	0.30%	\$ 20,117.26	\$ 24,476,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	11/15/13	0.30%	\$ 1,446.57	\$ 2,000,000.00
110	Capital	WSFS	CD	11/21/13	0.30%	\$ 2,375.34	\$ 3,400,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	11/27/13	0.30%	\$ 2,391.78	\$ 3,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	11/27/13	0.25%	\$ 1,438.36	\$ 3,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	11/27/13	0.30%	\$ 1,735.89	\$ 2,200,000.00
110	Capital ³	TD	CD	12/03/13	0.25%	\$ 749.00	\$ 1,540,195.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	12/13/13	0.30%	\$ 1,775.34	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	12/27/13	0.30%	\$ 2,005.47	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	01/10/14	0.30%	\$ 2,219.17	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	WSFS	CD	01/24/14	0.30%	\$ 2,449.31	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	02/07/14	0.25%	\$ 2,205.48	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	02/21/14	0.25%	\$ 2,397.26	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	03/07/14	0.25%	\$ 2,520.55	\$ 2,000,000.00
116	General	TD	CD	03/21/14	0.25%	\$ 2,424.66	\$ 2,000,000.00
514	Risk Management	WSFS	CD	07/11/14	0.30%	\$ 8,687.31	\$ 2,895,775.55
515	Worker's Comp.	WSFS	CD	07/11/14	0.30%	\$ 8,687.31	\$ 2,895,775.55
104	Escrow Pension	Affinity Wealth					\$ 1,505,081.00
104	Escrow Pension	Vanguard					\$ 19,314,180.00
104	Escrow Pension	Black Rock					\$ 52,321,987.00
104	Escrow Pension	Edgar Lomax					\$ 28,363,524.00
104	Escrow Pension	Wilmington Trust					\$ 34,591,064.00
104	Escrow Pension	Manning & Napier					\$ 20,483,750.00
104	Escrow Pension	Earnest Partners					\$ 12,473,916.00
104	Escrow Pension	GMO					\$ 10,798,453.00
139	Medical Escrow	Black Rock-OPEB					\$ 10,919,021.00
116	Deferred Comp.	MassMutual					\$ 35,463,380.00
	Total Investments						\$ 327,929,694.85
	Total Cash on Hand						\$ 542,956.07
	Grand Total						\$ 328,472,650.92

¹ Budget Reserve ² Lincoln Towers BAN ³ SEU

/s/Henry W. Supinski, City Treasurer

NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

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

D. Brown	Sympathy Emma M. Williams
M. Brown/D. Brown	Sympathy James Leroy Thomas, Jr.
Cabrera	Sympathy Deborah Murphy Sloan
Chukwuocha/Gregory	Recognize Our Time Inc. – Annual Life Line Speaker Series
Dorsey Walker	Best Wishes Olivia Johnson – 102 nd Birthday
Shabazz	Recognize U’Gundi Jacobs – Before & After Entertainment
Shabazz	Congratulate Sparks Champion Basketball Team
Shabazz	Sympathy Carmen Marie Ross
Williams	The National Alliance on Mental Illness Delaware - 30 th Anniversary
Williams	One Corner At A Time

****Note:** During the Non-Legislative Business, Councilman Congo was marked present and reflected herein in the minutes (Roll Call).

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

President Gregory: 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. 13-055 as follows:

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

WHEREAS, the property owner, the Department of Real Estate and Housing of the City (“Department”), has determined that the City no longer needs the property located at 2300 Carter Street, Wilmington, Delaware (“Property”), and has therefore offered to transfer the Property to Harriet Tubman Safe House for use as a side yard; and

WHEREAS, the Property, also known as Parcel Number 26-022.40-322;
and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Wilmington (“Council”), upon the recommendation of the Department, hereby authorizes the City to dispose of the Property to Harriet Tubman Safe House.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Council authorizes and approves the disposition of 2300 Carter Street, Parcel Number 26-022.40-322 from the City to Harriet Tubman Safe House for use as a side yard.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of the Property, including any and all further undertakings and assurances that may be appropriate.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes Mr. President. This Resolution is in support of the efforts we’re making in the 3rd Council District to create livable neighborhoods and life-long communities. This Resolution speaks to authorizing the City to dispose of the property located at 2300 Carter Street to Harriet Tubman Safe House, which is an organization that has been in the district for a few years and it’s done great work in helping us build better neighborhoods in the northeast area of Wilmington.

President Gregory: Clerk will call the roll please.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Mr. D. Brown: Mr. President, I have another Resolution to present.

Mr. D. Brown presented Resolution No. 13-056 as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wilm. C. (Charter) § 8-205, a department, board or commission of the City of Wilmington (the “City”) shall not 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 without advertised public notice appearing in at least one daily newspaper of citywide distribution and authority by general ordinance and later resolution from Council so to do; and

WHEREAS, Wilm. C. § 2-622(1) provides that the Council shall by resolution declare a property approved for disposition and authorize the conduct of disposition proceedings by the Real Estate and Housing Department (the “Department”); and

WHEREAS, the City is legal owner of the property located at 608 Vandever Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware, being Tax Parcel Number 26-029.40-025 (“Property”); and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals was issued by the Department in accordance with the procedures set forth in Wilm. C. § 2-622 through § 2-624; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were advertised on July 2, 2013, and again on July 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a proposal in the amount of \$3,000.00 was received from Ms. Kywana Bost, the adjoining neighbor to the Property, and she proposes to use the Property as a side yard; and

WHEREAS, the proposal is to be paid \$1,000.00 down at the time of settlement and the remaining \$2,000.00 to be kept as a lien on the Property and come due for payment in two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the recommendation of the Department, the City desires that the Property be awarded to Ms. Kywana Bost for \$3,000.00 in accordance with the procedures set forth in Wilm. C. § 2-622 through § 2-624.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Council hereby authorizes the disposition, sale, transfer and conveyance of the property located at 608 Vandever Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware, being Tax Parcel Number 26-029.40-025, to Ms. Kywana Bost for \$3,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the transfer of the property, including any and all undertakings and assurances heretofore.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes Mr. President. This Resolution authorizes the City of Wilmington to dispose of the property located at 608 Vandever Avenue to Ms. Kywana Bost. She will be paying \$3,000.00 for the side yard to an adjacent property. This is an effort for us to reduce blight particularly on Vandever Avenue, which is a main thoroughfare that connects US Federal Roadway 13 on Market Street and alternate US Federal Roadway 13, which is Governor Printz.

President Gregory: Clerk will call the roll.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Mr. D. Brown: Mr. President, I have another Resolution to present.

Mr. D. Brown presented Resolution No. 13-057 as follows:

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

WHEREAS, the City, through its Department of Real Estate and Housing (the “Department”), has expressed an interest in obtaining ownership of the property known as Tax Parcel No. 26-029.20-291 being located at 617 East 22nd Street, Wilmington, Delaware (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, US Bank National Association Trustee, being the current legal owner of the Property, has agreed to donate the Property to the City and to provide a \$4,000.00 contribution to the City to assist the Department to rehabilitate the Property and sell for homeownership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON (the “Council”) that Council, acting pursuant to Wilm. C. (Charter) § 8-204, hereby authorizes and approves the acceptance of the Property by the City from the current owner, US Bank National Association Trustee, and authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute any and all documents and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the acceptance of the Property, including any and all further undertakings and assurances that may be appropriate.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes Mr. President. This Resolution authorizes the City’s Department of Real Estate and Housing to accept the donation of 617 E. 22nd Street from the US Bank National Association Trustee and accompanying \$4,000.00 grant from the US Bank National Association Trustee for the rehabilitation and sell of the property for homeownership. So, I want to stress this is a project to promote homeownership and not rental and help stabilize the 600 block of E. 22nd Street in the 3rd District.

President Gregory: Clerk will call the roll.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Ms. Shabazz.

Ms. Shabazz: Yes 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. 13-028 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE CITY CONTRACT 13080PWPS - INTELLIGENT SINGLE-SPACE PARKING METER TECHNOLOGY WITH DUNCAN PARKING TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President, this Ordinance authorizes the City to enter into a one year contract with Duncan Parking Technologies, Inc., totaling \$179,340.00 for the purchase and installations of two hundred smart or intelligent single-space parking meters. The new parking meters will provide the citizens a variety of flexible payment options such as using your credit card or use your mobile phone apps. It also enables the City to monitor the real time use operations and maintenance of all the parking meters. This was vented through a committee of five, which I was one of those members of the committee to vent out the four proposals that responded to the RFP that we put out. It also was another one of the initiatives that came out of the parking submit that we did back in 2007. Duncan Parking was the most successful vendor that met all the parts of the RFP. The one thing about this contract did allows us is to purchase the additional meters as we expand the program at the same price for the next five years. I think this is going to be very innovative thing for us too - - move forward and invest in the parking issues in our city.

President Gregory: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Yes Mr. President. During the committee meeting we discussed the fact that there's no true retro fitting. These things will fit on existing structure. So, that does save us some time and effort there with maintenance. The other thing I was very impressed about, the meter will let you know when it's malfunctioning. It will send out a radio signal and let us know. One other thing that I was very fond of was there are no piggybacking. So, you can't vacate a space and then jump back in. As soon as you vacate the space, it will recognize you're gone. It will zero the meter out and start all over again. So, it's a very smart move for the City of Wilmington to go in this direction.

President Gregory: Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: I'm good. I'm okay, thank you. I'm alright, thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Darius Brown.

Mr. D. Brown: Yes Mr. President. Is this the same vendor that provides the meters at the Riverfront?

Ms. Shabazz: Excuse me.

President Gregory: He wants to know if this is the same vendor that provides the meters at the Riverfront.

Ms. Shabazz: I'm not sure if it's the same - - the kiosks formation you mean?

President Gregory: No.

Ms. Shabazz: No. I don't think so.

President Gregory: The answer is no.

Mr. D. Brown: Under the terms of the contract, the variable cost is it...I know it's at \$24,000 post the first year, could that exceed \$24,000 and is there a ceiling to that variable cost?

President Gregory/Ms. Shabazz: No.

President Gregory: No.

Mr. D. Brown: Okay. Lastly, prime time - - prime downtown location, I'm assuming that's wholly the 4th District. Is there - - could you tell me the boundaries for that?

Ms. Shabazz: My understanding that this is pilot of it. For the first two hundred would be in the heavily populated downtown area first. It is pilot.

Mr. D. Brown: What would be the boundaries?

Ms. Shabazz: I don't know that exactly. I believe Public Works Transportation is still researching exactly where they will be.

Mr. D. Brown: Okay.

President Gregory: Clerk will call the roll please.

Upon a motion of Ms. Shabazz, seconded by Mr. Freel, this 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, Shabazz, Prado, Dorsey Walker, Williams, Freel, M. Brown, Cabrera, Wright and Council President Gregory. Total, eleven. Nays, Council Member D. Brown. Total, one. Absent, Council Member Walsh. Total, one.

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President I have a Resolution to present.

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Mrs. Seijo: Thank you.

Ms. Shabazz presented Resolution No. 13-058 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 including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to Council's resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Public Works, seeks to obtain grant funding from the State of Delaware through a Surface Water Matching Planning Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the development and implementation of a surface water improvement project to include planning and modeling within the South Wilmington Wetlands by utilizing surface water, wetland treatment and storage facility; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the Wilmington Department of Public Works to submit the aforesaid application for funding for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Public Works, is hereby authorized to apply for grant funding from the State of Delaware through a Surface Water Matching Planning Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the development and implementation of a surface water improvement project to include planning and modeling within the South Wilmington Wetlands by utilizing surface water, wetland treatment and storage facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Public Works, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to complete the filing of the grant application, including all undertakings and assurances taken heretofore, and, if and when the grant is forthcoming, to administer the grant and the grant program for the City of Wilmington.

Ms. Shabazz: This Resolution Mr. President authorizes us the Department of Public Works to apply for a \$50,000.00 State of Delaware grant for planning and modeling of Surface Water Improvements Project related to the South Wilmington Wetlands project which we approved at our previous Council meeting. The City will be required to provide a fifty percent match if we are successful in obtaining this grant.

President Gregory: The Clerk will call the roll.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Ms. Shabazz: Mr. President, I have one last Resolution to present.

Ms. Shabazz presented Resolution No. 13-059 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 including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary, prior to Council's resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Department of Public Works, seeks to accept grant funding from the Dupont-Chichester Foundation through The Nature Conservancy of the State of Delaware in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the acquisition of property to create the South Wilmington Wetlands and to permanently conserve the property; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the Wilmington Department of Public Works to submit the aforesaid application for funding for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Department of Public Works, is hereby authorized to accept grant funding from the Dupont-Chichester Foundation through The Nature Conservancy of the State of Delaware in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the acquisition of property to create the South Wilmington Wetlands and to permanently conserve the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioner of Public Works, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept the grant funding, including all undertakings and assurances taken heretofore, and, if and when the grant is forthcoming, to administer the grant and the grant program for the City of Wilmington.

Ms. Shabazz: This Resolution also authorizes the Department of Public Works to accept grant funding from the Dupont-Chichester Foundation through The Nature Conservancy of the State of Delaware for the acquisition of property to create the South Wilmington Wetlands. There's no matching funds.

President Gregory: Clerk will call the roll.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted.

Ms. Shabazz: That's all for tonight Mr. President.

President Gregory: Mr. Prado.

Mr. Prado: Mr. President, I have a Resolution to present.

Mr. Prado presented Resolution No. 13-060 as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington ("City"), through its Department of Real Estate and Housing ("Department"), has expressed an interest in obtaining ownership of the property known as Tax Parcel No. 26-034.30-249, which is located at 117 North Harrison Street, Wilmington, Delaware (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Wells Fargo Bank, being the owner of the Property, is willing to accommodate the City's request to donate the Property to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Council, acting pursuant to Wilm. C. (Charter) § 8-204, hereby approves acceptance of the gift of the Property to the City by and from its current owner, Wells Fargo Bank, and authorizes the Mayor or his designee and the Department to take all actions necessary, including the payment of any recording fees, to finalize the donation of the Property to the City.

Mr. Prado: Yes, this is a donation from Wells Fargo. It's a property at 2nd and Harrison. It's been a problem property in the past and it will be donated to Real Estate and Housing so I'm very pleased about this and I support it all the way and hopefully everybody else will.

President Gregory: I guess everyone knows these properties that come through Bank of America and Wells Fargo; we don't seek the house out. Those banks come to us and say they have property in their inventory and invite us to take it and normally it's associated with some monies to help fix the property up but it's not a lot of money. I say that to district Councilpersons in particular to let you know that they come to us. We don't go to them. Clerk will call the roll please.

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

President Gregory: Declare it adopted. Ms. Dorsey Walker.

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

President Gregory: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Thank you sir. Nothing tonight.

President Gregory: Mr. Freel.

Mr. Freel: Nothing this evening. Thank you.

President Gregory: Mr. Michael Brown.

Mr. M. Brown: Thank you Mr. President but nothing tonight.

President Gregory: Ms. Cabrera.

Ms. Cabrera: Nope, nothing this evening.

President Gregory: Mr. Wright.

Mr. Wright: Nothing tonight. Thank you.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members announced committee and civic meetings, community events, anniversary wishes, birthday wishes and community projects in their districts. Council Members congratulated President Gregory on his daughter Aysha Gregory passing the Delaware Bar Association exam. It was duly noted that Affordable Care Act rolled out October 1st. Various city departments were thanked for their assistance and their continued responsiveness. It was noted that recommendations for safe neighborhoods still need to be looked at and how those recommendations can be implemented. It was also noted that concerns still need to be addressed around the policies of security and special events and as such was requested to be discussed at one of the upcoming Public Safety Committee meeting agendas. Ms. Nailah Gilliam was congratulated on her promotion to Director of the Department of Real Estate and Housing.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Mr. M. Brown, seconded by Ms. Shabazz, Council adjourned at 7:36 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Attest: 
Maribel Seijo, City Clerk