

**REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 20, 2023 @ 6:30 P.M.**

**Virtual Meeting with Anchor Location In-Person and Remote Participation
Council Chambers
Louis L. Redding City/County Building
800 N. French Street - Wilmington, DE 19801
www.wilmingtoncitycouncil.com or www.WITN22.org**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
 - Prayer
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Roll Call

- II. Approval of Minutes**

- III. Committee Reports**

- IV. Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report**

- V. Non-Legislative Business**
 - a. Recognition Resolutions
 - Cabrera Recognize Arab American Heritage Month
 - Cabrera Recognize Rev. Dr. Jay Macklin
 - Harlee Recognize Dr. Richard Allen Williams
 - McCoy Congratulate Salesianum School – DIAA Championship Teams (Basketball, Indoor Track, Swimming & Diving, Wrestling, and Ice Hockey)

 - b. Sympathy Resolutions
 - All Council Sympathy Stanley Munfur Ali
 - Cabrera Sympathy Sara E. Burton
 - Harlee Sympathy Pastor Rella Reynolds
 - Oliver Sympathy Delvert Snyder, Sr.
 - Oliver Sympathy Vernon Jerone Hill, Sr.
 - White Sympathy William Oscar Cornelious

- VI. Public Comment**

- VII. Legislative Business**

DARBY

Rev. 1

#0057 Sub. 1 Ord. 21-024 Amend Chapter 5 of the City Code to Require Buyers of Residential Rental Property to Pay Business License Fees at Property Settlement (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Substitute Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 21-024 amends Chapter 5 of the City Code by adding Section 5-37.1 to require buyers of residential rental properties located within city limits to complete a business license application and pay business license fees at settlement. Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 21-024 also requires the Department of Licenses and Inspections to provide the new property owners with an informational brochure providing guidance for landlords and owners of vacant properties. The purpose of Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 21-024 is to increase enforcement and compliance with business license requirements among owners of rental property, and to streamline the process for investor-owners to obtain business licenses.*

JOHNSON

#0295

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 41 of the City Code to Permit the Use of Parapet Signs (**1st & 2nd Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 41 of the City Code to permit the use of parapet signs in the City.*

SPADOLA

#0273

Ord. 23-007 Amend Chapter 2 of the City Code to Prohibit City Council from Hiring Close Relatives of Currently Sitting City Council Members (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance seeks to improve government transparency by amending Chapter 2 of the City Code to prohibit City Council from hiring close relatives of currently sitting City Council members. This Ordinance does not include a close relative City Council staffer who was hired prior to and continuously employed by City Council since September 1st one year before the election in which the close relative's related City Council member was elected. For example, a City Council staffer who is a close relative to a City Council member elected in 2024 may be hired again if the staffer was hired by September 1, 2023 and remained employed by City Council since September 1, 2023.*

VIII. Petitions and Communications**IX. Adjournment****PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting will be open to the public starting at 6pm, so members of the public can sign up to speak. To sign up for Public Comment, members of the public must go to the following website <https://tinyurl.com/wccpubliccomment042023> to fill out the information requested. Public Comment will take place after non-legislative business. The President of City Council will recognize speakers in the order listed on the website.

Note: In accordance with the enactment of Delaware General Assembly Senate Bill 94, members of the public are invited to participate in the meeting either in person in the Council Chambers or virtually by accessing the meeting as follows:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83603360277> or visit the WITN22 website www.witn22.org or WITN YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/WITN22Wilmington/> or listen in only by calling one of the following phone numbers (929) 205-6099 or (301) 715-8592. You will be asked for the **Webinar ID**. Please enter **836 0336 0277** and then #. International numbers available: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83603360277>.

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