Wilmington City Council Wilmington, Delaware October 19, 2023

City Council met in regular session with remote participation on the above date at 6:31 p.m., President Ernest M. Congo, II presiding.

The opening prayer was done by Akira Grenardo, Deputy City Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by City Council.

ROLL CALL

The following members responded to the Call of the Roll: Council Members White, Darby, Oliver, Harlee, B. Fields, McCoy*, Johnson, N. Field, Cabrera**, Mills (virtual), Spadola and Bracy*, and Council President Congo. Total, thirteen.

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of October 5, 2023, upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Harlee, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Chris Johnson, Chair	Y		
Michelle Harlee, Vice Chair	Y		
Latisha Bracy	Y		
Nathan Field		Y	
Zanthia Oliver		Y	
James Spadola	Y		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio	Y		

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

President and Members of Council of The City of Wilmington June 5, 2023

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by anchor location and remote participation, to who was referred Substitute No. 1 to Ordinance No. 22-035 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTERS 2 AND 40 OF THE CITY CODE TO EXEMPT EMPLOYEES IN APPOINTED SERVICE FROM THE CITY'S RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of Finance & Economic Development Committee

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

President Congo mentioned that we're experiencing technical difficulty

this evening.

*Note: At this time, Council Members McCoy and Bracy were recognized as being present and reflected in the minutes herein (Roll Call).

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Chris Johnson, Chair		Y	
Michelle Harlee, Vice Chair	Y		
Latisha Bracy	Y		
Nathan Field	Y		
Zanthia Oliver	Y		
James Spadola	Y		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio	Y		

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

President and Members of Council of The City of Wilmington October 9, 2023

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Joint Public Safety and Finance & Economic Development Committees met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 23-036** entitled:

> AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND PAYMENTUS CORPORATION

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of Finance & Economic Development Committee Upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Members B. Fields and Harlee, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

The City Clerk read the following committee report:

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Chris Johnson, Chair		Y	
Michelle Harlee, Vice Chair	Y		
Latisha Bracy	Y		
Nathan Field	Y		
Zanthia Oliver	Y		
James Spadola	Y		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio	Y		

President and Members of Council of The City of Wilmington October 9, 2023

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Joint Public Safety and Finance & Economic Development Committees met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 23-037** entitled:

> AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT, SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT, SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT, AND HOSTING SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, INC.

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

Respectfully submitted, Members of Finance & Economic Development Committee

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report for October 19, 2023 was read into the record by City Clerk and upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Harlee, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Note: The Treasurer's Report is included herein as an insert from Page 4 to Page 6.

City of Wilmington



DaWayne Sims City Treasurer

Treasurer's Report

October 19, 2023

Total Cash on Hand		\$ 11,935,247.82
Capital Projects	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$ 1,00
Grant-in-Aid	M & T Bank	\$ 112,760.87
Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$ 4,137.97
Police Department Discretionary	M & T Bank	\$ 17,133.06
Police & Fire Remembrance	M & T Bank	\$ 10,644.49
Police - Evidence Found (Currency)	M & T Bank	\$ 1,189,109.28
Total Petty Cash	M & T Bank	\$ 6,122.89
Law Department Court Costs	M & T Bank	\$ 4,592.07
Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 1,861,632.19
General	M & T Bank	\$ 8,729,113.00

Cash Equivalents & Investments (as of 10/18/2023):

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Number of Days	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
General	M&T	Overnight Repo	Daily	3,99%	\$ 2,039.89	\$ 17,766,833.91
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	4,59%	\$ 4,890,18	\$ 2,950,335,09
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	4.59%	\$ 7,211.53	\$ 4,350,844.75
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	4,59%	\$ 36,685.85	\$ 22,133,241.20
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 47,201,254.95
Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Int. Receiv.	Investment Amount
Police & Fire Remem.	WSFS	CD	1/23/2024	0,15%	\$ 59,18	\$ 25,871,46
General	TD	CD	10/20/2023	5,70%	\$ 222,819,01	\$ 46,909,264.42
General	TD	CD**	10/16/2023	5.70%	\$ 253,446,72	\$ 26,678,602.28
General	TD	CD**	10/16/2023	5.73%	\$ 148,025,00	\$ 30,000,000.00
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 103,613,738.16
RESERVE:				-		
General	TD	CD	10/23/2023	5,70%	\$ 198,670.61	\$ 17,925,168.18
SUB-TOTAL:		1				\$ 17,925,168,18
RESTRICTED:	****					
Capital Project	TD	CD**	10/16/2013	5,70%	\$ 9,400.17	\$ 1,915,145,91
Capital Project	TD	CD**	10/16/2023	5,70%	\$ 7,857.78	\$ 1,600,906.48
Capital Project	TD	CD**	10/16/2023	5,70%	\$ 85,009.09	\$ 17,319,339.95
Water/Sewer	TD	CD	10/23/2023	5.70%	\$ 38,192.42	\$ 3,445,932.68
State Bonds Proceeds	TD	CD**	10/16/2023	5.70%	\$ 45,811.18	\$ 9,333,346.54
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 33,614,671.56
Total Investments						\$ 202,354,832.85
Fotal Cash on Hand						\$ 11,935,247.82
Grand Total						\$ (214,290,080.67

*Restricted use, Per ARPA US Treasury Guidelines

******Currently undergoing renewal

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DaWayne Sims City Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - Pensions I October 19, 2023

Cash - Ledger Balance (as of 10/18/2023):

Pension Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 70,911.06
Retiree Healthcare	M & T Bank	\$ 2,620,145.44
Police Pension	M & T Bank	\$ 127,745.73
Fire Pension	M & T Bank	\$ 332,980.28
Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990-Plan 3	M & T Bank	\$ 196,168.27
Non-Uniform Pension Plan 2	M & T Bank	\$ 1,000.00
Old Non-Uniform Pension - Plan 1	M & T Bank	\$ 1,592.81
Total Cash on Hand		\$ 3,350,543.59

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
Fire Pension II	TD	CD	10/30/2023	5.54%	\$ 18,891.77	\$ 4,092,080.89
SUB-TOTAL;						\$ 4,092,080.89
RESERVE:	1					
Pension Trust	Rhumbline (S&P 500)					\$ 87,595,258.00
Pension Trust	Earnest Partners					\$ 15,326,889.00
Pension Trust	Dodge & Cox					\$ 12,707,767.00
Pension Trust	Artisan Global					\$ 12,074,273.00
Pension Trust	MFS Low Global					\$ 13,569,967.00
Pension Trust	Hartford Schroder					\$ 4,194,241.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Total Intl. Index					\$ 12,215,044.00
Pension Trust	Harding Loevner					\$ 1,207,070.00

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DaWayne Sims City Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - Pensions II October 19, 2023

Investments (Market Value as of October 13, 2023)

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
RESERVE:						
Pension Trust	Fidelity Emerging					\$ 2,573,480.00
Pension Trust	Clarion Lion					\$ 11,635,136.00
Pension Trust	Morgan Stanley					\$ 9,170,647.00
Pension Trust	JP Morgan					\$ 14,359,326.00
Pension Trust	LM Capital Core					\$ 30,747,437.00
Pension Trust	Rhumbline Core					\$ 26,767,232.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Bond Index					\$ 8,774,563.00
Pension Trust	Money Market					\$ 1,299,168.00
Pension Trust	Vanguard-OPEB					\$ 29,279,297.00
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 293,496,795.00
Total Investments	1		(1	\$ 297,588,875.89
Total Cash on Hand					1	\$ 3,350,543.59
Grand Total						\$ 300,939,419.48
Total Funds under Treas	ury Management:					
Total Investments					1	\$ 499,943,708.74

⁴ Exlcudes non-City funds held in trust on behalf of City employees (Mass Mutual)

Total Cash on Hand

Grand Total

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15,285,791.41

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NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Council Members B. Fields and Johnson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

a. Recognition Resolutions

Cabrera	Recognize Delaware Technical Community College (Hispanic Heritage Month)
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Cabrera	Recognize Former Mayor James H. Sill, Jr. (92 nd Birthday)
Darby	Recognize Rev. Clifford I. Johnson (Wilmington Senior
	Center Lifetime Achievement Award)
Fields	Recognize Nora Katurakes (Christiana Care Helen F.
	Graham Cancer and Research Institute)
McCoy	Recognize MSK Tea Party
White	Recognize Men of Faith
White	Recognize Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

b. Sympathy Resolutions

Harlee	Marilyn "Lyn" Doto
Fields	Esther Sabrina Garnett-Hall

**Note: During this time, Council Member Cabrera was recognized as being present and reflected in the minutes herein (Roll Call).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

At this time, President Congo opened up the floor for public comments and the following individuals spoke:

- o Rochelle Wilson
- o Kevin Melloy
- o Audrey McCarthy
- o Susan Regis Collins
- o Keandra McDole
- o DeSheryl Broadwater
- o Madeline Porter
- o Jakim Mohammad

Upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member Oliver, Council moved to extend the public comment segment. Motion prevailed.

- o Dion Wilson
- o Pastor D. Johnson
- o Donald Ferrell
- o Velda Jones-Potter
- o Shyanne Miller
- o Holland Raulston, Jr.
- o Lourdes Rivera
- o Brandon Fletcher

At this time, for clarity, President Congo mentioned that the documents that were provided this evening, came from him for the public to be more informed.

- o Lanita Brooks
- o Malik Harris
- o James Taylor
- o Carolyn Peak
- o Crystal Flowers
- o Wilda Spence
- o Cornelia Henry
- o Abdul Hamin-El
- o Dimion Denson
- o Carmen Wright
- o Michael Fossett
- o Coby Owens
- o Khadija Robinson
- o Adrianne Artist
- o Gladys Spikes
- o Tony Dunn
- o Lisa Hemphill (virtual)
- o D. Marque Hall (virtual)
- o Margaret Guy (virtual)
- Aletha Smith-Tucker (virtual)
- o Michael Groark
- o Kristina Kelley (virtual)
- o M. Hayman
- o George Evans
- o Christian Willauer

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Council Member White, seconded by Council Member Darby, to suspend the rules for the purpose of considering Substitute No. 1 to Ord. 22-035 regarding residency. The motion was before the Council for its consideration. Parliamentarian John Hawley requested clarity from Council Member White on his motion. Several members of Council raised questions and both Council Member White and President Congo responded. Council Member White clarified his intent of his motion before Council. President Congo made comments.

During this time, President Congo conferred with Parliamentarian Hawley, who stated the required votes needed for the suspension of the rules. Council Member Darby made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll for the suspension of the rules.

The motion to suspend the rules was defeated by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members White, Darby, Oliver, Harlee, McCoy, Johnson and Bracy, and Council President Congo. Total, eight. Nay, Council Members B. Fields, N. Field, Cabrera, Mills and Spadola. Total, five.

President Congo declared the motion defeated.

Council Member Oliver made comments about the defeated vote.

Parliamentarian Hawley provided clarity of questions raised regarding the vote and the need to have nine votes to suspend the rules.

Council Member Oliver made additional comments. At this time, President Congo conferred with the Parliamentarian Hawley. Per conferring with Parliamentarian Hawley, President Congo noted that a 2/3 vote majority is required for the suspension of the rules per Council Rules.

President Congo changed the order of the agenda and provided the floor to Council Member Mills to present his legislation.

Council Member Mills made comments and **held** Substitute No. 1 to Ord. 22-035.

Council Member White made a point of order for clarification on whether the sponsor was holding the legislation for discussion at a committee meeting.

Council Member Mills responded that the legislation is being held for further discussion.

President Congo mentioned that after conferring with Parliamentarian Hawley, Council Member Mills does not have to refer the legislation to a committee and added that Council Member Mills can hold the legislation. Council Members Oliver and McCoy raised questions and the Parliamentarian responded. Council Member White raised a question and President Congo responded. President Congo mentioned that there's no further debate on this ordinance as the legislation was held. Council Member Johnson made comments. Council Member White made comments. President Congo made comments. Council Member White made comments.

President Congo again stated the legislation cannot be discussed any further as it has been held.

Council Member Oliver presented and called for the first and second reading <u>Ordinance No. 23-038</u> (Agenda #0358) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE RIVERSIDE PHASE 3 MAJOR SUBDIVISION PLAN AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ACCEPT THE DEDICATION OF NEW SEGMENTS OF EAST 25TH STREET, EAST 26TH STREET, EDGEMOOR AVENUE, AND ROSEMONT AVENUE AS PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND ADD THEM TO THE OFFICIAL CITY MAP

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: This Ordinance has no significant anticipated fiscal impact.

The above-referenced Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Council Member Oliver, seconded by Council Members McCoy and Johnson, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Community Development and Urban Planning Committee. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Oliver presented and called for the first and second reading <u>Ordinance No. 23-039</u> (Agenda #0359) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 36 OF THE CITY CODE TO INCREASE THE FINE FOR RESISTING, INTERFERING, AND/OR HINDERING PARKING REGULATION ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN DISCHARGING THEIR DUTIES

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no anticipated fiscal impact.

The above-referenced Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Council Member Oliver, seconded by Council Member Johnson, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Public Works & Transportation Committee. Motion prevailed. *Note: At this time, Council Member Oliver requested to be excused from the remainder of the meeting.*

Council Member McCoy presented <u>Resolution No. 23-063</u> (Agenda #0360) as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, City 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 Wilmington Police Department has submitted a grant application to the United States Department of Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is eligible for \$237,482.00 in grant funding, which would be used to cover the salary for a civilian cold case investigator and overtime costs as part of overall violent crime reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS, no local matching funds are required; and

WHEREAS, in applying for this funding, the Police Department seeks to continue its efforts to secure funding from other entities to help offset the fiscal impact of crime prevention activities on the City's operating budget; and

WHEREAS, City 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 that the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the United States Department of Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief of Police, or designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to 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 because no local matching funds are required by this grant.

Upon a motion of Council Member McCoy, seconded by Council Member Johnson, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed. Council Member McCoy spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced 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 White, Harlee, B. Fields, McCoy, Johnson, N. Field, Cabrera, Mills and Spadola, and Council President Congo. Total, ten. Nays, Council Member Darby. Total, one. Absent, Council Members Oliver and Bracy. Total, two. *Note: At this time, Council Members Mills, Darby and Harlee requested to be excused from the remainder of the meeting.*

Council Member Johnson presented and called for the third and final reading <u>Ordinance No. 23-036</u> (Agenda #0356) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND PAYMENTUS CORPORATION

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: The fiscal impact of this Ordinance is an amendment that extends the Master Services Agreement for three (3) years with the possibility of two (2) extensions of one (1) year thereafter, at an estimated price of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) per year.

Upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, the Ordinance was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed. Council Member Johnson spoke on the purpose of the Ordinance.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced 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 White, B. Fields, McCoy, Johnson, N. Field, Cabrera and Spadola, and Council President Congo. Total, eight. Nays, none. Absent, Council Members Darby, Oliver, Harlee, Mills and Bracy. Total, five.

President Congo declared the Ordinance adopted.

Council Member Johnson presented and called for the third and final reading <u>Ordinance No. 23-037</u> (Agenda #0357) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT, SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT, SUPPORT

AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT, AND HOSTING SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE, INC.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: The fiscal impact of this Ordinance is four (4) three-year agreements with the possibility of three (3) additional extensions of one (1) year thereafter, at an estimated price of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) if all of the extensions are exercised.

Upon a motion of Council Member Johnson, seconded by Council Member McCoy, the Ordinance was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed. Council Member Johnson spoke on the purpose of Ordinance.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was read for the third and final time and was adopted by title and section recurring to the Enacting Clause and was adopted by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members White, B. Fields, McCoy, Johnson, N. Field, Cabrera and Spadola, and Council President Congo. Total, eight. Nays, none. Absent, Council Members Darby, Oliver, Harlee, Mills and Bracy. Total, five.

President Congo declared the Ordinance adopted.

Council Member Cabrera presented <u>Resolution No. 23-064</u> (Agenda #0361) as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington (the "City") is an "Entitlement Community" for purposes of the Community Development Block Grant Program (the "CDBG Program"), the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (the "HOME Program"), the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (the "ESG Program"), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Program (the "HOPWA Program"); and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") regulations require a consolidated application process for funds for the CDBG Program, the HOME Program, the ESG Program, and the HOPWA Program; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2023, City Council adopted Resolution 23-022, which approved the City's annual action plan budget for City fiscal year 2024 (which corresponds with federal fiscal year 2023) (the "City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget") and authorized the Mayor to submit it to HUD; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared a substantial amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget (the "Substantial Amendment"), which provides for the following revisions to the City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget: (i) a reduction of \$705,000 of CDBG Program funding for the City's demolition program; (ii) an increase of \$705,000 of CDBG Program funding for the City's substantial rehabilitation of vacant homes program; and (iii) the provision of \$450,000 of CDBG Program funding for the New Castle County lead and healthy homes programs; and

WHEREAS, the \$450,000 of CDBG Program funding for the New Castle County lead and healthy homes programs will be derived from \$120,000 in unanticipated CDBG Program income and \$330,000 in CDBG Program unexpended prior year funds; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the amended and restated City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget, which incorporates the Substantial Amendment, is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Attachment "A" (the "Amended and Restated City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget"); and

WHEREAS, City Council's Community Development and Urban Planning Committee and the Mayor's Office have reached a consensus with respect to specific categories of spending and the amount of funds to be allocated to each such category in the Substantial Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the referenced HUD regulations require that certain public participation requirements must be satisfied regarding proposed substantial amendments to Consolidated Plans, and the City has met such requirements with respect to the Substantial Amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that Mayor Michael S. Purzycki, or his designee, is hereby authorized to submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD, which provides for the following revisions to the City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget: (i) reduces the allocation of CDBG Program funding for the City's demolition program by \$705,000; (ii) increases the allocation of CDBG Program funding for the City's substantial rehabilitation of vacant homes program by \$705,000; and (iii) makes an allocation of \$450,000 of CDBG Program funding for the New Castle County lead and healthy homes programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council hereby endorses the specific enumeration of categories and amounts set forth in the Amended and Restated City Fiscal Year 2024 Plan Budget, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "A" and made a part hereof, and so endorses said enumeration, with the understanding that the Mayor's Office will expend funds and administer the funding program in a manner consistent with said enumeration and will review substantial changes, as defined by the Consolidated Plan regulations, in the enumeration of categories and amounts with the Community Development and Urban Planning Committee of City Council prior to the implementation of any such changes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Michael S. Purzycki, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute and submit the Substantial Amendment to HUD and he, or his designee, is hereby further authorized to certify to such matters as the Secretary of HUD may require with the application, to provide additional information as may be required, and to administer and expend such funds as are received or become available in accordance with the Consolidated Plan regulations and the regulations governing the CDBG Program, the HOME Program, the ESG Program, and the HOPWA Program.

Upon a motion of Council Member Cabrera, seconded by Council Members B. Fields and Johnson, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed. Council Member Cabrera spoke on the purpose of the Resolution.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced 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 White, B. Fields, McCoy, Johnson, N. Field, Cabrera and Spadola, and Council President Congo. Total, eight. Nays, none. Absent, Council Members Darby, Oliver, Harlee, Mills and Bracy. Total, five.

President Congo declared the Resolution adopted.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members and Council President spoke on the following: announcement of community events in the city; and including but not limited to, the community was thanked for coming out this evening whether in-person or virtually.

Note: During this time, Council Member McCoy requested to be excused from the remainder of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Council Members Cabrera and Bracy, seconded by Council Member B. Fields, Council adjourned at 10:19 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Note: More detailed information is reflected in the videotape of the October 19, 2023 City Council meeting at the following link: <u>https://wilmingtonde.new.swagit.com/videos/277077</u>.

Attest: Maribel Seijo, City Cle