# REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL

July 10, 2025 @ 6:30 PM

## 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

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## \*REVISED 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 McAleer Paulson School of Irish Dance Field Recognize Mary T. Barksdale (101st Birthday)

Harlee Recognize Jamar Rahming

Harlee Recognize Apostle Thomas Wesley Weeks, Sr. (80<sup>th</sup> Birthday)

McCoy Recognize Joseph C. Smolka (80<sup>th</sup> Birthday)

b. Sympathy Resolutions

All Council Sympathy Judith Young
Oliver Sympathy Maurice Barnett

#### VI. 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 <a href="https://tinyurl.com/wccpubliccomment071025">https://tinyurl.com/wccpubliccomment071025</a> 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: Per Council Rules (CC Rule 2), the public shall register to speak by 6:45.

## VII. Legislative Business

Note: To view the full legislation, click on the hyperlinked agenda number.

## CONGO (McCoy Presenting on Behalf of Congo)

#0085 A Resolution Appointing Members of the Wilmington Community Police Accountability Board

## Synopsis:

This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. The Wilmington City Council 2022-2025 Strategic Plan prioritizes a "Transparent and Well-Represented Wilmington," where constituents can make meaningful contributions to City government policy and processes. This Resolution appoints seven (7) voting members and two (2) non-voting members to the Wilmington Community Police Accountability Board.

## **DARBY**

#0086 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 2 of the City Code Regarding Oversight,

> Transparency and Accountability of the Wilmington Neighborhood Conservatory Land Bank Corporation and Appointment of a Director (1st & 2nd Reading)

## Synopsis:

This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 2, Article III, Division 19 of the City Code by creating the position of "Land Bank Director", amending the composition of the Land Bank's Board of Directors, and adding requirements regarding the oversight, transparency and accountability of the Land Bank.

#0087

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 2 of the City Code to Increase Support and Accountability of Neighborhood Planning Councils (1st & 2nd Reading)

## Synopsis:

This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 2 of the City Code to require the planning department to draft a complaint form for community members to fill out regarding NPCs. Further, this Ordinance increases support for, and requires more accountability from, NPCs

#### \*OLIVER

#0091

A Resolution Respectfully Requesting the Disposition of a Lead Paint Tester to HELP Initiative Inc.

## Synopsis:

This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council review and approval. The purpose of this resolution is to grant the disposition of a surplus lead paint tester from the Department of Land Use and Planning to the HELP Initiative Inc.

## MCCOY

Rev. 3 Sub. 1 to An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 34 of the City Code to Allow Residential Tenants in City Properties to Deposit Withheld Rent in a City-Held #0044 Ord. 25-018 Escrow Account (3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Reading)

Synopsis:

This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 34 of the City Code to establish a voluntary escrow program for tenants living in City properties.

#0088

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 34 of the City Code to Require Landlords Provide Written Notice of Tenants' Rights in Leases (1st & 2nd Reading)

## **Synopsis:**

This Ordinance is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance amends Chapter 34 of the City Code to require City landlords to include tenants' rights in their leases.

## **CABRERA**

#0089

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to File a Third Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2025/Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

## Synopsis:

This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to file a Third Substantial Amendment to the City Fiscal Year 2025/Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Annual Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that (i) transfers \$300,000 of CDBG Program funds from the Jumpstart program to the demolition of 817 West Fourth Street, which has been declared unsuitable for rehabilitation and must be demolished, and (ii) changes the location of a HOME Program project for West Tatnall to different scattered site units.

## #0090

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to File with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development the Following Plans Regarding Funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program, the HOME Improvement Investment Partnerships Program, the Emergency Solutions Grants Program, and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program: (i) the City Fiscal Year 2026-2030/Federal Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan; (ii) the City Fiscal Year 2026/Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Action Plan; and (iii) the Citizen Participation Plan for the City

#### Synopsis:

This Resolution is being presented by Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Mayor, or his designee, to file with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development the (i) City fiscal year 2026/federal fiscal year 2025 Annual Action Plan, which includes funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program, Emergency Solutions Grants Program, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program, (ii) consolidated plan for City fiscal years 2026-2030/federal fiscal years 2025-2029, and (iii) updated citizen participation plan.

#### **VIII. Petitions and Communications**

## IX. Adjournment

Note: This meeting will be conducted both in-person and via Zoom. All are welcome to attend.

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