

REGULAR MEETING OF WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL
September 18, 2025 @ 6:30 PM – AGENDA RESULTS
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

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 Latin American Community Center (LACC) Hispanic Heritage Month 2025 Event
McCoy	Recognize Jymere Stillis-Stanford
Oliver	Recognize Out & About Magazine (20 th Anniversary of City Restaurant Week)

b. Sympathy Resolutions

	Sympathy Bonita E. Finney
Oliver	Sympathy Jerome R. Campbell
Oliver	Sympathy Ruth Louise Fair
Spadola	Sympathy Basil R. Battaglia

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 <https://tinyurl.com/wccpubliccomment091825> 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. If there are any issues with accessing the sign up form, please contact: wilmcc109@gmail.com.

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.

OLIVER

#0099 Ord. 25-046 An Ordinance to Authorize and Approve a Three-Year Extension of a Professional Services Agreement Between the City of Wilmington and

PASSED

Itron, Inc. for Mobile Automated Meter Reading Operations and System Maintenance (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the City to enter into a three-year extension of the professional services agreement with Itron, Inc. for mobile automated meter reading operations and systems maintenance.*

HARLEE

#0107

An Ordinance to Rezone Six Parcels of Land Located Within the Area Generally Bounded by Lobdell, Bradford, A, and Goodman Streets from a Zoning Classification of R-3 (One-Family Row Houses) to a Zoning Classification of M-1 (Light Manufacturing) (**1st & 2nd Reading**)

ORD. 25-053
Community
Development &
Urban Planning

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance rezones six parcels of land located within the area generally bounded by Lobdell, Bradford, A, and Goodman Streets (being Tax Parcel Nos. 26-051.30-392, 26-051.30-393, 26-051.30-394, 26-051.30-395, 26-051.30-396, and 26-058.10-210) from a zoning classification of R-3 (One-Family Row Houses) to a zoning classification of M-1 (Light Manufacturing).*

#0091 Ord. 25-038 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Bond (Wastewater Treatment Plant Substation #3 Replacement Project), Series A Of 2025-WPCRF, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary for (I) the Replacement of Substation #3 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, (II) a New Duct Bank, (III) Conductors, (IV) Fiber Optic Cables, (V) New Motor Control Centers, (VI) the Replacement of TCB Power Centers #5 and #6, and (VII) the Demolition and Disposal of Existing Power Equipment; Providing for the Sale of the 2025A Bond to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action (**3rd & Final Reading**)

PASSED

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a General Obligation Bond (Wastewater Treatment Plant Substation #3 Replacement Project), Series A of 2025-WPCRF (the "2025A Bond"), in an amount not to exceed \$9,966,000, which will be sold to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund in order to (A) finance (i) the replacement of substation #3 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, (ii) a new duct bank, (iii) conductors, (iv) fiber optic cables, (v) new Motor Control Centers, (vi) the replacement of TCB power centers #5 and #6, and (vii) the demolition and disposal of existing power equipment, as set forth in the City's capital budgets for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (B) pay administrative costs relating to such capital projects, and (C) pay the costs of issuing the 2025A Bond.*

#0092 Ord. 25-039 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Bond (Digester #4 Rehabilitation Project), Series B Of 2025-WPCRF, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary for the Rehabilitation of Digester #4 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, Including Rehabilitation of Concrete and Civil Structures,

PASSED

Piping, Electrical Equipment, Foam Suppressant Equipment and Installation of a New Digester Cover; Providing for the Sale of the 2025B Bond to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action (**3rd & Final Reading**)

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a General Obligation Bond (Digester #4 Rehabilitation Project), Series B of 2025-WPCRF (the "2025B Bond"), in an amount not to exceed \$7,260,000 which will be sold to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund in order to (A) finance the rehabilitation of digester #4 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, including rehabilitation of concrete and civil structures, piping, electrical equipment, foam suppressant equipment and installation of a new digester cover, as set forth in the City's capital budgets for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (B) pay administrative costs relating to such capital projects, and (C) pay the costs of issuing the 2025B Bond.*

#0093 Ord. 25-040 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Bond (Primary Clarifier #1 Rehabilitation Project), Series C Of 2025-WPCRF, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary for the Rehabilitation of Primary Clarifier #1 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, Including Concrete Repairs, Rehabilitation of Grout Bottom, Clarifier Mechanism, Center Drive, Weirs, Baffles, and the Walkway; Providing for the Sale of the 2025C Bond to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action (**3rd & Final Reading**)

PASSED

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a General Obligation Bond (Primary Clarifier #1 Rehabilitation Project), Series C of 2025-WPCRF (the "2025C Bond"), in an amount not to exceed \$3,050,000, which will be sold to the Delaware Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund in order to (A) finance the rehabilitation of primary clarifier #1 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant, including concrete repairs, rehabilitation of grout bottom, clarifier mechanism, center drive, weirs, baffles, and the walkway, as set forth in the City's capital budgets for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (B) pay administrative costs relating to such capital projects, and (C) pay the costs of issuing the 2025C Bond*

#0094 Ord. 25-041 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City's General Obligation Bond (PFAS Removal Phase III Project), Series Of 2025-DWSRF, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary for the Removal of Per/Polyfluoroalkyl Substances From the City's Water Through the Design and Construction of a New PFAS System Transfer Pump Station; Providing for the Sale of the 2025 Bond to the Delaware Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action (**3rd & Final Reading**)

PASSED

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a General Obligation Bond (PFAS Removal Phase III Project), Series of 2025-DWSRF (the "2025 Bond"), in*

an amount not to exceed \$7,000,000, which will be sold to the Delaware Drinking Water State Revolving Fund in order to (A) finance the removal of per/polyfluoroalkyl substances (“PFAS”) from the City’s water source through the design and construction of a new PFAS System Transfer Pump Station, as set forth in the City’s capital budgets for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (B) pay administrative costs relating to such capital projects, and (C) pay the costs of issuing the 2025 Bond.

- #0095 Ord. 25-042 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City’s General Obligation Bond (Lead Removal Phase III Project), Series A of 2025-DWSRF, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary for the Replacement of Approximately Four to Five Miles of Old Cast Iron Watermain in the City’s Water Distribution System; Providing for the Sale of the 2025A Bond to the Delaware Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action **(3rd & Final Reading)**

PASSED

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes the issuance of a General Obligation Bond (Lead Removal Phase III Project), Series A of 2025-DWSRF (the “2025A Bond”), in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, which will be sold to the Delaware Drinking Water State Revolving Fund in order to (A) finance the replacement of approximately four to five miles of old cast iron watermain in the City’s water distribution system, as set forth in the City’s capital budgets for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (B) pay administrative costs relating to such capital projects, and (C) pay the costs of issuing the 2025A Bond.*

- #0096 Ord. 25-043 An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of the City’s General Obligation Bonds, in One or More Series on a Tax-Exempt and/or Taxable Basis, in Order to Provide the Funds Necessary to (I) Finance Various Capital Projects Specified in the City’s Fiscal Year 2024 and 2026 Capital Budgets and (II) Refund a General Obligation Bond Anticipation Note and Certain Outstanding General Obligation Bonds of the City; and Providing for the Sale of the Bonds; and Authorizing Other Necessary Action **(3rd & Final Reading)**

PASSED

Synopsis: *This Ordinance is being presented by the Administration for Council’s review and approval. This Ordinance authorizes (i) the issuance of up to \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds in order to finance any duly authorized capital project of the City specified in the City’s capital budget for its Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2026, (ii) the issuance of up to \$41,000,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds in order to currently refund certain outstanding debt of the City, including the 2024 BAN and the 2015 General Obligation Bonds, and (iii) the payment of the costs associated with issuance of the aforementioned Bonds.*

MCCOY (Johnson presented on behalf of McCoy)

- #0108 A Resolution Approving Grant Funding to Bayard Square Neighborhood Association from Council Member McCoy’s Community Support/Beautification Funds

**RES. 25-050
Adopted**

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. In alignment with the 2022-2025 Wilmington City Council Strategic Plan goal of fostering a "Growing Wilmington," this Resolution approves grant funding to the Bayard Square Civic Association from City Council Member Yolanda McCoy's Beautification Funds totaling \$5,700 to support the 6th District Electric Box Project, "a public art and community engagement initiative designed to beautify the district through the transformation of electric utility boxes into vibrant works of art."*

#0109 A Resolution Approving the Police Department's Grant Application to the State of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security Fund to Combat Violent Crime to Support Violent Crime Reduction Efforts

RES. 25-051
Adopted

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security Fund to Combat Violent Crime in the amount of \$378,566.08, or such other amount that the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security awards. The proposed grant funds would be used to cover overtime costs as part of overall violent crime reduction efforts. No local matching funds are required.*

#0110 A Resolution Approving the Police Department's Grant Application to the State of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security State Aid to Local Law Enforcement (SALLE) Grant Program to Provide Advanced and Specialized Training for Police Officers

RES. 25-052
Adopted

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security for funding from the State Aid to Local Law Enforcement (SALLE) grant program in the amount of \$59,244.16, or such other amount that the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security awards. The proposed grant funding would be used to cover the cost of advanced and specialized training for police officers. No local matching funds are required.*

#0111 A Resolution Approving the Police Department's Grant Application to the State of Delaware Emergency Illegal Drug Enforcement (EIDE) Program to Support Drug Investigations

RES. 25-053
Adopted

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the State of Delaware Emergency Illegal Drug Enforcement (EIDE) program in the amount of \$32,696.96, or such other amount that the EIDE program awards. The proposed grant funds would be used to support specialized drug investigations through covering overtime costs. No local matching funds are required.*

JOHNSON

#0112 A Resolution to Amend Council Rules 9 and 10 to: a) Require Ordinances to be Voted Out of Committee; and b) Schedule Quarterly, not Monthly, Committee of the Whole Meetings

HELD

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by City Council for Council's review and approval. This Resolution amends City Council Rule 9 to require Ordinances to be voted out of Committee prior to being heard before a full council for a 3rd and Final vote. This Resolution also amends City Council Rule 10-2 to change the monthly Committee of the Whole Meetings to quarterly.*

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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