

*Wilmington City Council
Wilmington, Delaware
June 18, 2026*

City Council met in regular session with remote participation on the above date at 6:32 p.m., President Ernest M. Congo, II, presiding.

The opening prayer was done by Mariaelena Rivera, 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 Owens, Darby, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Field, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, nine. Absent, Council Members Willauer and McCoy. Total, four.

President Congo stated that the agenda will be a little out of order, and will be proceeding with Non-Legislative resolutions.

NON-LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Upon a motion of Council Member Owens, seconded by Council Member Hackett, the following non-legislative resolutions were accepted into the record and motion prevailed:

- a. Recognition Resolutions
 - Bracy Recognize 2025 Wilmington Youth Advisory Council
 - Congo Recognize Violet Jane Dixon (102nd Birthday)
 - Congo Recognize The Trash Porters (3rd Anniversary and Second Chance Shoppe Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony)
 - Darby Recognize Juneteenth 2026
 - Darby Recognize History of Slavery and the Affirming the Need for Reparations
 - Harlee Recognize Mother Bertha Lockett Parker (103rd Birthday)
 - Oliver Recognize Women in Labor
 - Oliver Recognize Desiree Bell (Owner of Children's Laughter Early Learning Academy)
 - Owens Recognize LGBTQ+ Pride Month 2026
 - Owens Recognize Melvin E. Phillips (Emeritus President of the Delaware Coalition of Black Trade Unionists)
 - Owens Recognize Beenie Man (King of the Dancehall)

- b. Sympathy Resolutions
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| All Council | Sympathy Gerret van Swerigen Copeland |
| Cabrera | Sympathy Verino Pettinaro |
| Oliver | Sympathy Maurice R. Sims |
| Oliver | Sympathy Roland Douglass Sudler |
| Owens | Sympathy William H. Gardner |

MINUTES

After reading a portion of the minutes of the June 4, 2026 City Council Meeting, upon a motion of Council Member Spadola, seconded by Council Member Bracy, it was moved they be accepted as written. Motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Intergovernmental Committee	Present	Absent w/Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Shané N. Darby, Chair	X		
Christofer Johnson, Vice-Chair	X		
Christian Willauer	X		
Zanthia Oliver		X	
Ernest "Trippi" Congo II, Ex-Officio	X		

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

June 3, 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Intergovernmental Committee met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 26-036** entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY CODE TO
CREATE A CHARTER ADVISORY BOARD

Have given this Ordinance careful review and recommend Council vote on it at an upcoming Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Intergovernmental Committee

Upon a motion from Council Member Spadola and seconded by Council Member Bracy, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Michelle Harlee, Chair		X	
Latisha Bracy, Vice Chair	X		
Shané N. Darby	X		
Alexander D. Hackett		X	
Zanthia Oliver	X		
James Spadola	X		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio		X	

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

June 8, 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 26-016** entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND USI
INSURANCE SERVICES LLC FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY
INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICE

Have given this Ordinance careful review and recommend Council vote on it
at an upcoming Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Finance & Economic Development Committee

Upon a motion from Council Member Harlee and seconded by Council Members Bracy and Owens, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Michelle Harlee, Chair		X	
Latisha Bracy, Vice Chair	X		
Shané N. Darby	X		
Alexander D. Hackett		X	
Zanthia Oliver	X		
James Spadola	X		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio		X	

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

June 8, 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 26-041** entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 40 OF THE CITY CODE
REGARDING PAID PARENTAL LEAVE

Have given this Ordinance careful review and recommend Council vote on it
at an upcoming Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Finance & Economic Development Committee

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

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Michelle Harlee, Chair		X	
Latisha Bracy, Vice Chair	X		
Shané N. Darby	X		
Alexander D. Hackett		X	
Zanthia Oliver	X		
James Spadola	X		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio		X	

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

June 8, 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by **anchor location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 26-039** entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CITY'S
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND (PFAS PHASE IV PROJECT),
SERIES B OF 2026-DWSRF, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS
NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF
PFAS EQUIPMENT AT THE CITY'S PORTER PLANT; PROVIDING
FOR THE SALE OF THE 2026B BOND TO THE DELAWARE

DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND; AND
AUTHORIZING OTHER NECESSARY ACTION

Have given this Ordinance careful review and recommend Council vote on it
at an upcoming Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Finance & Economic Development Committee

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

Finance & Economic Development Committee Member	Present	Absent w Leave	Absent w/out Leave
Michelle Harlee, Chair		X	
Latisha Bracy, Vice Chair	X		
Shané N. Darby	X		
Alexander D. Hackett		X	
Zanthia Oliver	X		
James Spadola	X		
Ernest "Trippi" Congo, Ex-Officio		X	

President and Members of Council of
The City of Wilmington

June 8, 2026

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, your Finance & Economic Development Committee met by **anchor
location and remote participation**, to who was referred **Ordinance No. 26-040** entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 44 OF THE CITY CODE TO
EXTEND THE DURATION OF THE WILMINGTON DOWNTOWN
BUSINESS DISTRICT

Have given this Ordinance careful review and recommend Council vote on it
at an upcoming Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Members of
Finance & Economic Development Committee

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

TREASURER'S REPORT

The following Treasurer's Report for June 18, 2026 was read into the record by City Clerk and upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Members Owens and Bracy, the Report was received, recorded and filed. Motion prevailed.

Note: The Treasurer's Report is included herein as an insert from Page 7 to Page 10.

City of Wilmington



DaWayne Sims
City Treasurer

Treasurer's Report June 18, 2026

Cash - Ledger Balance (as of 06/17/2026):

General	M & T Bank	\$ 8,330,374.00
Payroll	M & T Bank	\$ 1,200,918.38
Paid Leave	M & T Bank	\$ 331,452.00
Law Department Court Costs	M & T Bank	\$ 4,502.07
Total Petty Cash	M & T Bank	\$ 6,023.89
Police - Evidence Found (Currency)	M & T Bank	\$ 1,147,963.44
Police & Fire Remembrance	M & T Bank	\$ 14,044.49
Police Department Discretionary	M & T Bank	\$ 38,256.91
Rent Withholding Escrow	M & T Bank	\$ 32,937.97
Grant-in-Aid	M & T Bank	\$ 112,760.87
Community Development Block Grant	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
Capital Projects	M & T Bank	\$ 1.00
Total Cash on Hand		\$ 11,219,236.02

Cash Equivalents & Investments (as of 06/17/2026):

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Number of Days	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
General	M&T	Overnight Repo	Daily	3.25%	\$ 2,548.71	\$ 43,595,351.91
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	2.94%	\$ 3,935.82	\$ 3,707,205.61
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	2.94%	\$ 12,190.99	\$ 11,482,880.47
General	TD	High Yield Checking	13	2.94%	\$ 5,705.12	\$ 5,373,737.36
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 64,159,175.35
RESTRICTED:						
Police & Fire Remem.	WSFS	CD	6/23/2026	2.96%	\$ 427.52	\$ 28,413.25
General	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 80,661.55	\$ 26,019,854.69
General	Citizens Bank	*CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 12,788.22	\$ 4,125,232.22
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 30,173,500.16
RESERVE:						
General	PNC	T-Bills	6/25/2026	3.68%	\$ 174,970.00	\$ 20,178,730.00
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 20,178,730.00
RESTRICTED:						
Capital Project - 2015	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 2,292.56	\$ 739,534.16
Capital Project - 2018	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 66.13	\$ 22,490.23
Capital Project - 2020	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 9,239.89	\$ 2,980,610.40
Capital Project - 2025	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 111,984.59	\$ 36,124,062.09
Water/Sewer	PNC	T-Bills	6/25/2026	3.68%	\$ 140,324.00	\$ 16,182,376.00
State Bonds Bill FY23	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 3,303.93	\$ 1,065,784.91
State Bonds Bill FY24	TD	High Yield Checking	13	3.52%	\$ 3,363.43	\$ 2,646,052.64
State Bonds Bill FY25	TD	High Yield Checking	13	3.52%	\$ 699.11	\$ 550,000.00
State Bonds Bill FY26	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 25,266.99	\$ 8,150,640.35
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 68,461,550.78
Total Investments						\$ 182,772,956.29
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 11,219,236.02
Grand Total						\$ 194,192,192.31

* Budget Reserve

*Restricted use, Per ARPA US Treasury Guidelines

DaWayne Sims
DaWayne Sims, City Treasurer

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DaWayne Sims
City Treasurer

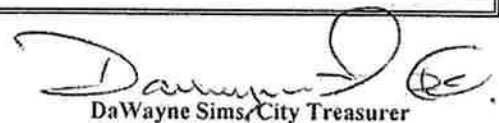
Treasurer's Report - Pensions I June 18, 2026

Cash - Ledger Balance (as of 06/17/2026):

Pension Payroll	M & T Bank	\$	166,045.86
Retiree Healthcare	M & T Bank	\$	5,746,727.51
Police Pension	M & T Bank	\$	1,445,292.16
Fire Pension	M & T Bank	\$	7,280,242.21
Non-Uniform Pension Act of 1990-Plan 3	M & T Bank	\$	282,813.23
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		\$	14,923,713.78

Cash Equivalents (as of 06/17/2026) & Investments Market Value as of Jun 12, 2026)

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
LIQUIDITY:						
Fire Pension IV	Citizens Bank	CD	6/29/2026	3.60%	\$ 3,201.54	\$ 1,032,753.76
SUB-TOTAL:						\$ 1,032,753.76
RESERVE:						
Pension Trust	Rhumblin (S&P 500)					\$ 133,487,212.00
Pension Trust	Earnest Partners					\$ 23,503,663.00
Pension Trust	Dodge & Cox					\$ 10,518,268.00
Pension Trust	WCM Global Fund					\$ 10,292,961.00
Pension Trust	MFS Low Global					\$ 10,377,321.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Total Intl. Index					\$ 31,522,699.00
Pension Trust	GQG Emerging					\$ 4,923,225.00


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Treasurer's Report - Pensions II June 18, 2026

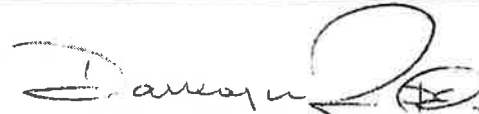
Investments (Market Value June 12, 2026)

Account Type & Fund	Institution	Investment Type	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Interest Receivable	Investment Amount
RESERVE:						
Pension Trust	Clarion Lion					\$ 7,204,587.00
Pension Trust	Morgan Stanley					\$ 9,948,915.00
Pension Trust	JP Morgan					\$ 19,125,495.00
Pension Trust	LM Capital Core					\$ 37,344,897.00
Pension Trust	Rhumblin Core					\$ 37,430,558.00
Pension Trust	Fidelity Bond Index					\$ 7,621,312.00
Pension Trust	Money Market					\$ 907,835.00
Pension Trust	OPEB Trust Fund					\$ 45,097,978.00
SUB-TOTAL						\$ 389,306,926.00
Total Investments						\$ 390,339,679.76
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 14,923,713.78
Grand Total						\$ 405,263,393.54

Total Funds under Treasury Management:

Total Investments						\$ 573,312,636.05
Total Cash on Hand						\$ 26,142,949.80
Grand Total¹						\$ 599,455,585.85

¹ Excludes non-City funds held in trust on behalf of City employees (Empower)


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PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Congo accepted a motion from Council Member Owens to extend Public Comment past 7:30pm, seconded by Council Member Spadola. Motion prevailed. President Congo opened up the floor for public comments and the following individuals spoke:

- Deacon Earl Tate
- Conor Brophy
- Dee Cox
- John Conolly
- Dora Williams
- Lip Betley
- Meme Sebelist
- Gene Messic

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Council Member Darby stated that she will be holding Ordinance No. 26-009 (Agenda #0174) and Ordinance No. 26-032 (Agenda #0230).

Council Member Harlee presented Ordinance No. 26-039 (Agenda #0244) and called for the third and final reading, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE CITY'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND (PFAS PHASE IV PROJECT), SERIES B OF 2026-DWSRF, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE FUNDS NECESSARY FOR THE INSTALLATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF PFAS EQUIPMENT AT THE CITY'S PORTER PLANT; PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE 2026B BOND TO THE DELAWARE DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND; AND AUTHORIZING OTHER NECESSARY ACTION

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Oliver, the Ordinance was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the Ordinance and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Field, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett and Spadola. Total, nine. Nay, President Congo. Total, one. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer and McCoy. Total, three.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted**.

Council Member Harlee presented Ordinance No. 26-040 (Agenda #0245) and called for the third and final reading, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 44 OF THE CITY CODE TO
EXTEND THE DURATION OF THE WILMINGTON DOWNTOWN
BUSINESS DISTRICT

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Oliver, the Ordinance was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the Ordinance and made comments. Council Members Owens and Bracy made comments. Council Members Spadola, Oliver and Bracy requested to be added as co-sponsors.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, nine. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted**.

Council Member Harlee presented Ordinance No. 26-041 (Agenda #0246) and called for the third and final reading, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 40 OF THE CITY CODE
REGARDING PAID PARENTAL LEAVE

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Oliver, the Ordinance was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the Ordinance and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, nine. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted**.

Council Member Harlee presented Ordinance No. 26-016 (Agenda #0193) and called for the third and final reading, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE AN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND USI
INSURANCE SERVICES LLC FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY
INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICE

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Oliver, the Ordinance was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the Ordinance and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy, Field and Spadola. Total, five.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted**.

Council Member Harlee presented Resolution No. 26-050 (Agenda #0250) entitled:

A RESOLUTION NAMING THREE FACILITIES LOCATED IN EDEN
PARK

Synopsis: This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution approves naming the pool house, pavilion, and football field at Eden Park as the "William "Balagun" Robinson Pool", the "Robert "Bob" Perkins Pavilion", and the "Theopalis Gregory Field", respectively.

Upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, seconded by Council Member Bracy, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Harlee spoke to the purpose of the resolution and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Resolution was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson,

Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy, Field and Spadola. Total, five.

President Congo declared the Resolution **adopted**.

Council Member Harlee presented and called for the first and second reading, Ordinance No. 26-042 (Agenda #0251) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE MAJOR SUBDIVISION PLAN FOR "501 SOUTH WALNUT STREET/CHRISTINA CROSSING" AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ACCEPT THE DEDICATION OF HOWARD STREET, LOCATED BETWEEN SOUTH MARKET STREET AND SOUTH WALNUT STREET, AS A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, OFFICIALLY NAME THE DEDICATED STREET AS HOWARD STREET, AND ADD IT TO THE OFFICIAL CITY MAP

The above-referenced Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, second by Council Member Cabrera, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Health, Environmental, Aging & Disabilities Committee. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Cabrera presented and called for the first and second reading, Ordinance No. 26-043 (Agenda #0252) entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND NORTHEAST AND BUCKS COMPANY T/A MULLIN AND LONERGAN ASSOCIATES, INC.

The above-referenced Ordinance was given two separate readings by title only and upon a motion of Council Member Harlee, second by Council Member Cabrera, the Ordinance was received, recorded and referred to the Health, Environmental, Aging & Disabilities Committee. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett presented Ordinance No. 26-036 (Agenda #0239) and called for the third and final reading, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY CODE TO CREATE A CHARTER ADVISORY BOARD

Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member Owens, the Ordinance was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett spoke to the Ordinance and made comments. Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member Owens, a floor amendment was before Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed. Council Members Johnson, Owens and Bracy made comments. Council Member Bracy requested to be added as co-sponsor.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Ordinance was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, nine. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Ordinance **adopted as Amended**.

Council Member Hackett presented Resolution No. 26-051 (Agenda #0253) entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO SUPPORT THE CITY'S SUMMER 2026 FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

***Synopsis:** This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Education ("DDOE") in the amount of \$463,553.20, or such other amount that the DDOE awards. The grant funds will be used to reimburse the City for meals provided in the City's 2026 Summer Food Service Program, which will provide breakfasts, lunches, and dinners during the months of June through August 2026 to children via local community centers, camps, and other organizations. No local matching funds are required.*

Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Members Owens and Bracy, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett spoke to the purpose of the resolution and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Resolution was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson,

Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Resolution **adopted**.

Council Member Hackett presented Resolution No. 26-052 (Agenda #0254) entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO SUPPORT THE CITY'S YOUTH CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR SUMMER 2026 AND THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

***Synopsis:** This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Labor ("DDOL") in the amount of \$190,000, or such other amount that the DDOL awards. The grant funds will be used to fund wages for youth participating in the Youth Career Development program during summer 2026 and the 2026-2027 school year. No local matching funds are required.*

Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member Owens, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett spoke to the purpose of the resolution and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Resolution was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Resolution **adopted**.

Council Member Hackett presented Resolution No. 26-053 (Agenda #0255) entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S GRANT APPLICATION TO BANK OF AMERICA SUPPORT THE NEXT LEVEL INTERNSHIP PORTION OF THE YOUTH CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR SUMMER 2026

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to Bank of America in the amount of \$75,000, or such other amount that Bank of America awards. The grant funds will be used to fund wages for youth participating in the Next Level internship portion of the Youth Career Development program during summer 2026. No local matching funds are required.*

Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member Bracy, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett spoke to the purpose of the resolution and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Resolution was voted on by the following Yeas and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Resolution **adopted**.

Council Member Hackett presented Resolution No. 26-054 (Agenda #0256) entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION'S GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH & THEIR FAMILIES TO SUPPORT THE CITY'S OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME PROGRAM FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Synopsis: *This Resolution is being presented by the Administration for Council's review and approval. This Resolution authorizes the Department of Parks and Recreation's grant application to the State of Delaware Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families ("DSCYF") in the amount of \$328,987.59, or such other amount that the DSCYF awards. The grant funds will be used to reimburse the City for the costs associated with implementing a Citywide Out-of-School Time program designed to provide safe, structured, and enriching environments for youth during high-risk out-of-school hours for the 2026-2027 school year. No local matching funds are required.*

Upon a motion of Council Member Hackett, seconded by Council Member Owens, the Resolution was before the Council for its consideration. Motion prevailed.

Council Member Hackett spoke to the purpose of the resolution and made comments.

President Congo requested the Clerk to call for the roll.

The above-referenced Resolution was voted on by the following Yea and Nay Roll Call Vote: Yeas, Yeas, Council Members Owens, Oliver, Harlee, Johnson, Bracy, Cabrera, Hackett, Spadola and President Congo. Total, eight. Absent, Council Members Darby, Willauer, McCoy and Field. Total, four.

President Congo declared the Resolution **adopted**.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Council Members and Council President spoke on the following information including but not limited to community meetings and events; Happy Father's Day wishes shared; Youth Council under way; the community encouraged to contact Council Office with any questions and/or concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion of Council Member Owens, seconded by Council Member Hackett. Council adjourned at 8:18 p.m. Motion prevailed.

Note: More detailed information is reflected in the videotape of the June 18, 2026 City Council meeting at the following link: <https://www.witn22.org/programs/#/?video=4965>.

Attest: 
Akira Grenardo, City Clerk