Thursday, June 28, 2012

COUNCIL SESSION INFORMATION IN PROGRESS

PRESENT: 16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien

EXCUSED: 1 - Councilmember Quiñones Sánchez

Council met, a quorum being present.

Father Richard Robyn of Trinity Church Oxford Circle was introduced and offered an appropriate prayer.

COUNCILMEMBER GREENLEE MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOURNAL

of the meeting of June 21. 2012.

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.

Councilmember Jones requested leave of absence for

Councilmember Sanchez.

THE REQUEST WAS GRANTED.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Sergeant-at-Arms presented messages from the Mayor as follows:

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councilmember Kenney Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Kenney:

Bill No. 120632: An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified

electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to authorize City Council to adopt the City's Annual Operating Budget Ordinance within thirty days of the adoption of the State Budget; providing for interim revenue and spending measures and procedures; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember Kenney Introduced and Referred the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Kenney:

- **Resolution No. 120636:** Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to authorize City Council to adopt the City's Annual Operating Budget Ordinance within thirty days of the adoption of the State Budget; providing for interim revenue and spending measures and procedures; all under certain terms and conditions; and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND GOVERNMENT.

Councilmember Kenney Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Kenney:

- **Resolution No. 120637:** Resolution Recognizing the 40th Anniversary of Title IX, the groundbreaking gender equality legislation that increased educational and athletic access to generations of women and girls.

Councilmember Blackwell Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Blackwell:

- **Resolution No. 120638:** Resolution Authorizing the City Council Committee on Rules to hold hearings to investigate the creation of Registered Community Organizations and the impact they will have on the community.

Councilmember Greenlee Introduced and Referred the following Bill for Councilmember Council President Clarke, Sponsored by Councilmember Greenlee:

- **Bill No. 120633:** An Ordinance Establishing a no parking anytime regulation on certain cul-de-sacs within the area bounded by 13th to the West, 9th Street to the East, Girard Avenue to the South, and Cecil B. Moore Avenue to the North.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS AND SERVICES.

Councilmember Johnson Introduced and Ordered Placed on This Week's Final Passage Calendar the following Resolution, Sponsored by Councilmember Johnson:

- **Resolution No. 120639:** Resolution Urging the Pennsylvania Auditor General to conduct a forensic audit of the School District of Philadelphia to provide a greater degree of transparency into the District's finances so that the City of Philadelphia can consider solutions to the School District's current fiscal crisis.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmembers Jones and Reynolds Brown:

- **Bill No. 120634:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-2600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Business Income And Receipts Taxes," by providing a "Visitability Tax Credit" for cost incurred to make newly constructed single and multi-family dwellings accessible for disabled persons all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE DISABLED AND SPECIAL NEEDS.

Councilmember Jones Introduced and Referred the following Bill, Sponsored by Councilmember Jones:

- **Bill No. 120635:** An Ordinance To amend the Philadelphia Zoning Maps by changing the zoning designations of certain areas of land located within an area bounded by Parkside Avenue, 50th Street (Extended), Merion Avenue, 52nd Street, Columbia Avenue, and 51st Street.

THE BILL WAS REFFERED TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES.

CONSIDERATION OF THE CALENDAR

PUBLIC COMMENT

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON FINAL PASSAGE

- **Resolution No. 120619:** Resolution Approving the redevelopment contract and disposition supplement of the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority for the redevelopment and urban renewal of a portion of the Model Cities Urban Renewal Area, identified by house numbers and street addresses as 1800 North Sixteenth street, 1804-1808 North Sixteenth street, 1812 North Sixteenth street and 1820 North Sixteenth street; authorizing the Redevelopment Authority to execute the redevelopment contract with 1800 16th Street, LLC and to take such action as may be necessary to effectuate the redevelopment contract and

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 120621: Resolution Respectfully urging the Pennsylvania General Assembly to reject House Bill 2405 because it would halt state funding for important women's healthcare services.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Bill No. 120175-AA, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing real estate taxes for the City of Philadelphia and the School District of Philadelphia for Fiscal Year 2013 and thereafter, by amending Chapter 19-1300 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Real Estate Taxes," to provide for a tax and tax rate on real property, for exclusions, and for an established predetermined ratio; and by amending Chapter 19-1800 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "School Tax Authorization," to further authorize the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia to impose a tax on real estate within the City of Philadelphia, and providing for a tax rate and for exclusions; all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *12 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh and Kenney*

Nays: *4 - Councilmembers Blackwell, O'Neill, Green and O'Brien*

Bill No. 120174: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19-1500 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled "Wage and Net Profits Tax," by repealing Section 19-1508, entitled "Refunds and Forgiveness for Poverty Income."

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *10 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Jones, Henon, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Oh, Kenney and Green*

Nays: *6 - Councilmembers Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Bass, Goode and O'Brien*

Bill No. 120164-A, as amended: An Ordinance To adopt a Capital Program for the six Fiscal Years 2013-2018 inclusive.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: *0*

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Bill No. 120165-A, as amended: An Ordinance To adopt a Fiscal 2013 Capital Budget.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *0*

Bill No. 120166-A, as amended: An Ordinance Adopting the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2013.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney and O'Brien*

Nays: *1 - Councilmember Green*

Bill No. 120556-A, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing transfers in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2013 within the General Fund from the City Council to the Director of Finance-Contribution to School District.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney and O'Brien*

Nays: *1 - Councilmember Green*

Resolution No. 120637: Resolution Recognizing the 40th Anniversary of Title IX, the groundbreaking gender equality legislation that increased educational and athletic access to generations of women and girls.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 120638: Resolution Authorizing the City Council Committee on Rules to hold hearings to investigate the creation of Registered Community Organizations and the impact they will have on the community.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 120639: Resolution Urging the Pennsylvania Auditor General to conduct a forensic audit of the School District of Philadelphia to provide a greater degree of transparency into the District's finances so that the City of Philadelphia can consider solutions to the School District's current fiscal crisis.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

Bill No. 120432: An Ordinance Authorizing the City Treasurer, on behalf of the City, to enter into an agreement with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. for provision of payroll banking services to the City, under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *11 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Oh and O'Brien*

Nays: *4 - Councilmembers Johnson, Blackwell, Goode and Kenney*

Abstain: *1 - Councilmember Green*

Bill No. 120392, as amended: An Ordinance Authorizing the Chief Innovation Officer to enter into up to two multi-year contracts for access to online research services and online legal publications, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *0*

Bill No. 120483: An Ordinance Removing certain properties located on the ground bounded by West Thompson Street to the North, North 31st Street to the East, West Girard Avenue to the South, and certain railroad tracks and North 32nd Street to the West from the Philadelphia Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone, subject to the request and consent of the owners of said properties, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Nays: *0*

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Resolution No. 120119: Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to information that must be provided with the annual operating budget, annual capital budget, and capital program, requiring the

Finance Director to provide such information, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *1 - Councilmember Tasco*

Bill No. 120108, as amended: An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to information that must be provided with the annual operating budget, annual capital budget, and capital program; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *15 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *1 - Councilmember Tasco*

Resolution No. 120540: Resolution Proposing an amendment to The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter to provide for a preference in civil service regulations for the grandchildren of firefighters or police officers who were killed or who died in the line of duty, and providing for the submission of the amendment to the electors of Philadelphia.

THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *0*

Bill No. 120531: An Ordinance Providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Philadelphia of the proposal set forth in a Resolution approved by Council proposing an amendment of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter relating to a preference in civil service regulations for the grandchildren of firefighters or police officers who were killed or who died in the line of duty; and authorizing the appropriate officers to publish notice and to make arrangements for the special election.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *0*

Bill No. 120561: An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Philadelphia to enter into purchase obligations for the delivery of electric supply for use by facilities owned and leased by the City, including agreements that obligate payments for delivery of electric supply in Fiscal Year 2015, subject to certain terms and conditions.

THE BILL WAS READ AND PASSED.

The Ayes and Nays were as follows:

Ayes: *16 - Councilmembers Council President Clarke, Squilla, Johnson, Blackwell, Jones, Henon, Bass, Tasco, O'Neill, Reynolds Brown, Greenlee, Goode, Oh, Kenney, Green and O'Brien*

Nays: *0*

SPEECHES

COUNCILMEMBER REYNOLDS BROWN MOVED TO ADJOURN

THE MOTION WAS DULY SECONDED AND AGREED TO.